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HONGKONG, JANUARY 29TH, 1913.

UNTIL the Revolution it was declared with apparent good reason that no nation was less amenable than China to the changes which time is supposed to bring in its train for all, and no people were less susceptible to influences from outside than the Chinese; but that dictum does not seem so applicable in the light of recent events. The Revolution has thrown China into a different focus, and the results of influences which have been at work for years became at once apparent. This is seen in methods of government, in educational ideals, in administration, and in a growing public spirit. In all of these the Chinese have endeavoured to follow the example of the West, and the degree of success which has been attained is perhaps greater than most foreigners ever expected to see realised. Remarkable as are these changes, they are not more noteworthy than the change which has come over young China with regard to sport. Formerly outdoor sports were not in vogue with the Chinese, and if they were engaged in they usually had some utilitarian object, such as archery, which was practised for the purposes of the old-time military examinations. Shuttlecock was perhaps the most violent of the Chinese outdoor games, and Westerners who have seen it played would doubtless find it difficult to wax enthusiastic over it when they compare it with the more strenuous games of the Occident. Now, however, a new spirit has made itself manifest, and Chinese are not only learning western sports but are doubtless learning to be sportsmen in the broad sense in which that word is used. We know that the American game of baseball has attracted a fairly important following in North China. Football is perhaps more popular among the Chinese in and out of their native land, and only this season have we seen a Chinese team making an excellent showing in cricket. In the coast ports the natives have played lawn tennis for some time, and have acquired a proficiency which enables them to enter competitions without fear of disgracing themselves. But nothing shows the change which has taken place among the Chinese in this respect or more strikingly demonstrates the development of this love of sport than the extraordinarily large number of entrants which have been secured from China for the Eastern Olympiad to be held at Manila next week, there being no fewer than eighteen from Shanghai and Peking, and eight from Hongkong. Most people were aware that Chinese had taken kindly to the games mentioned, and were also showing an interest in certain forms of athletics, such as swimming, running, and wrestling, but it must come as a surprise to many to learn that a team has sailed from Shanghai for the Philippines which includes men who have entered for such classic events as the Pentathlon, the Decathlon, the Marathon race, and discus throwing. These four events have been introduced for this Olympic competition, and though the form shown by the Chinese contestants may not compare with that of last year's great meeting at the Stadium in Stockholm, it may be expected that this competition will be preliminary to greater exercise in these sports in the future, so that for the next Olympiad to be held at Berlin competitors from China may feel qualified to enter. In addition to the events indicated, there are Chinese en route to Manila who will take part in throwing the hammer, putting the shot, vaulting with the pole, high jump, long jump, broad jump, etc. That in itself shows the popularity which Western games and exercises has acquired among the younger Chinese, and not even the most pessimistic on the subject of China will gainsay the good which will follow this departure from old custom. Not only will the Chinese youth become healthier and better physically, but he will benefit mentally and socially. He will learn to do his best for the honour of his team and his club. He will learn to exert himself to greater efforts for the simple glory of winning. And he will also learn, it is hoped, to be a sportsman in the best sense of the word, a man who can applaud a rival excelling his own performance, a man who loves to see fairplay and who will insist upon a fair field and no favour, and a man who can accept defeat with good grace. Even should the Eastern Olympiad bring no great honours for the Chinese competitors, the experience, while proving valuable as a training, will stand out unique in the history of their race. It is the first time in which the athletes of China have come forward in a body, small though the body be, to contest with men of other races in the field of sport, and all good sportsmen throughout the world will rejoice to see them taking their place with other athletes and acquitting themselves honourably in all kinds of manly exercises.

Sir William Robinson, G.C.M.G., formerly Governor of Hongkong, left £88,620 gross and £88,365 net.

Mr. W. R. Matteson, for many years in the Yokohama office of the Pacific Co. as Chief Clerk, has been appointed Agent of the Company in Shanghai, in succession to Mr. Morton, appointed to Kobe.

No arrest has yet been made in connection with the week-end murders. A doctor reports that the old woman who was found gagged and bound at Aberdeen died from fatty degeneration of the heart.

After nearly thirty years of business life, Mr. F. G. Sale, managing director of Sale & Frazar, Ltd., Yokohama, is retiring on the 30th April next, and with his family leaves for England early in May.

Mr. T. T. H. Ferguson, a Dutchman in the Maritime Customs, who compiled the recent able summary of Dr. Vissering's book on Chinese currency, is mentioned as successor to the late Dr. Roest.

The epidemic of body dumping by Chinese still continues. The body of a female child, aged 13, was picked up in the street at Shaukiwan, and the corpse of another female of about 20 years of age was discovered in the Western District, death in this instance being apparently due to small-pox.

Theatre goers will be glad to learn that the Allan Wilkie Company return to Hongkong next week, and will open a short season on Tuesday, with "The Cardinal."

The death took place on Monday at his residence at Kowloon of Sanitary Inspector Alfred Brown. Deceased, who was a capable official, is survived by a widow and a family of three sons and seven daughters. Inspector Brown had been recommended for leave, and this recommendation was to have come before the Sanitary Board yesterday for approval.

It now transpires that the Parsee gentleman residing in Kowloon who had his safe and its contents taken from the wardrobe and removed apparently by his boy and others has discovered that his loss was greater than at first reported. In addition to the loss of money and jewellry to the value of over $1,000 first mentioned, he has found that articles of silver ware, etc., have also been stolen, bringing his total loss up to over $3,000.

It is stated that the military distinctions between the North China Command and the South China Command are to be abolished and the commands amalgamated and controlled from a common centre. This is said to be some of the results of Sir Ian Hamilton's last tour of inspection in the Far East. Whilst Sir Ian was in China and the Far East he very carefully went into the question of the existing defence schemes of the chief ports there and the provisions made generally for a naval war.

We read in the Indo-China papers that after M. Kouzminsky, the Russian aviator, had made a flight in his monoplane at Phnom-penh His Majesty Sisowath, King of Cambodia, surrounded by princes and Ministers of his Court, pinned upon the breast of the aviator the cross of Officer of Cambodge, the royal orchestra playing the Russian anthem, the Marseillaise, and the royal Cambodgian anthem. The papers remark that as at Haiphong and Hanoi so at Phnom-penh, the Chinese abstained from going to see the aviator fly.

The police have received information from the Tung Wa Hospital authorities that the body of a female child, aged about one year, was brought to the institution and subsequently removed to the Mortuary. Enquiries by the police elicited that the child was in charge of a nine-year-old girl. She was carrying it on her back, and whilst ascending the staircase at No. 19, New Street she was met by a boy who was coming down. They collided, and the girl, over-balancing, was precipitated to the bottom, killing the child.

"LES FETES ANGLAISES" AT SAIGON.

The following is an outline of the programme which had been arranged for the entertainment of Admiral Winsloe, and the officers and men of H.M.S. *Minotaur* and *Kent*, which went down from Hongkong to Saigon last week:—

Thursday, 23rd—In the evening, after the exchange of official visits a grand dinner at the residence of the Governor-General, the streets of the City being illuminated.

Friday, 24th—At 5 o'clock in the evening the visitors to be received by the Cercle militaire, at a "réception cordiale." After dinner the English officers to attend a "representation concertante" at the Naval and Military Cercle.

Saturday, 25th—Aviation exhibition on the Race Course at 4 p.m. In the evening a grand ball at the Municipal hall, and performance at the Casino specially for the English sailors.

Sunday, 26th—In conformity with English usage nothing was arranged.

Monday, the 27th—Football match, either Rugby or Association at the Jardin de la Ville, between an English team and a Saigon team. At the same hour there was to be tennis for the officers on the courts of the Cercle Sport if. In the evening a Grand Gala performance at the Municipal theatre.

Tuesday, the 28th—Race meeting at the race course.

During the stay of the visitors in Saigon excursions and hunting expeditions were to be organised.

THE MAGISTRACY.

Before Mr. Hazeland yesterday a Chinese was fined $10, or a month in default, for depositing rubbish in a street at West Point.

Sergt. Adlington proceeded against 16 Chinese for frequenting No. 389, Queen's Road West, as an opium divan. Mr. Hazeland fined the keeper $250, and the other men $1 each.

The hearing was continued yesterday of the case against four Chinese on charges of making counterfeit coins, and also with having in their possession plant and implements for making base coin.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE SUFFRAGE BILL.

WITHDRAWN BY GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, January 28th.

After a prolonged sitting on Monday morning the Cabinet decided that the Franchise Bill should be dropped immediately.

The House of Commons was thronged on Monday when consideration of the Franchise Bill was resumed. There was also a large crowd outside.

The Speaker, in reply to Mr. Asquith, affirmed that if the amendment designed to graft women's suffrage on to the Franchise Bill were carried it would be substantially a new Bill, and he would then advise the House to withdraw the Bill.

Mr. Asquith declared that the Government's opinion had been that in view of the precedents the amendment in the direction of women's suffrage would be admitted in committee. The Government had honestly endeavoured to carry out their pledges. He vigorously denied that there had been anything in the nature of sharp practice, and expressed regret that the question of women's suffrage had not been brought to a division, to which he had looked forward without apprehension. He claimed that the Government had carried out their understaking in the letter and in the spirit. The question was what further ought to be done. (Opposition cries of "Go to the country.") He said there was now no real use in prolonging the discussion, and consequently the Government had agreed to drop the Bill. The Government would not produce the Women's Suffrage Bill, but if a private member's bill was introduced next session they would give facilities and ministers and members would be free to vote as they liked. The Government would proceed with Electoral Reform, Registration, and Plural Voting within the lifetime of the present Parliament.

Subsequent speakers, including Mr. Bonar Law, Mr. Lloyd George, and Mr. Balfour, generally agreed with the Government's course as affording the best opportunity for obtaining an unprejudiced vote on women's suffrage, but Mr. Bonar Law blamed the Government for failing to anticipate the technical point of precedure, and Mr. Balfour disputed the Government's right to set up a private bill on a question on which they were hopelessly divided, and apply to it all the powerful machinery in the hand of the Government.

Sir Edward Grey declared that the Government would be false to their pledges if they placed the Woman's Suffrage measure in a position inferior to that of the Government measure.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain said it was a most serious thing to apply the Parliament Act to a subject that had been so little considered by the electorate.

After the discussion had been closured by 283 votes to 112, the Bill was formally withdrawn.

SUFFRAGETTE THREATS.

Mrs. Pankhurst at a woman's suffrage meeting in London Pavilion, declared a guerilla war and asked for the names of those willing to participate.

Miss Kenney said—We will make the life of the public impossible. We will attack not only shop windows, but something else if you are not careful.

POLICE PRECAUTIONS.

In view of the suffragette threats all police leave has been stopped. Two thousand constables, one hundred of them mounted, are available for duty at Westminster.

SUFFRAGETTES ARRESTED.

There was no Suffragette demonstration in Parliament Square, but late at night Miss Sylvia Pankhurst was arrested while attempting to damage a mural painting in St. Stephen's Hall. Mrs. Despard and three others were arrested while attempting to address a crowd in Trafalgar Square.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HOME RULE BILL.

DEBATE IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, January 28th.

The House of Lords began on Monday the four days' debate on the second reading of the Home Rule Bill. In view of the certainty of the rejection of the Bill the interest was languid and the attendance moderate.

Lord Crewe, in introducing the Bill, said it foreshadowed a system of federalism which would be applicable to Scotland and which would follow the passing of the Home Rule Bill. He appealed to their lordships to mediate upon methods whereby without altogether destroying its substance the Bill might be made less alarming to the people of Ulster. The Government would most carefully and most earnestly and in the most friendly manner consider any proposal advanced in that spirit.

The Duke of Devonshire, in moving the rejection of the Bill, pointed out that the Lords in contradistinction to the Commons possessed the right of free speech and discussion. The Bill would not solve the Irish problem and would satisfy nobody. The retention of the Irish members at Westminster would be an obvious absurdity.

Early Grey, in a notable speech, strongly advocated federalism in the British Isles, but opposed the Home Rule Bill because it established a barrier to the application of the federal principle and would tend to civil war. He appealed to the Unionist leaders to issue a message showing they were prepared to assent to some policy giving Ireland the management of her own affairs on more safe lines, promoting the welfare of Ireland with the security of the Empire. He favoured dividing Ireland into two provinces, of which North-East Ulster would be one, on the Canadian system. He urged in the strongest terms the settlement of the Irish questions on lines satisfying the sentiments of the Dominions, where there was almost universal sympathy for Home Rule, and of the United States, thus effecting reconciliations which would bring not only the Empire but the whole of the English-speaking race in a union the advantages and blessings of which would be difficult to estimate.

Lord Dunraven supported the Bill, believing that devolution was essential to any scheme for drawing together the component parts of the Empire

THE TRADES UNION BILL.

LONDON, January 28th.

The House of Commons on Monday began consideration of the Trades Union Bill.

Sir Rufus Isaacs said that though the funds of the unions would be exempt in reference to the acts of their officials, yet it was quite a fallacy to argue that individuals were not individually responsible for their actions.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, January 28th.

As the Government's decision not to proceed with any Electoral Bill will shorten the session by several days, it is expected that Parliament will be summoned again on the 6th March instead of the 13th March.

LORD HARDINGE'S GREAT RECEPTION.

LONDON, January 28th.

A message from Delhi says that the Legislative Council met in the new Council Chamber. Lord and Lady Hardinge drove along a route lined by police, and the Viceroy, on entering the Chamber, received a great ovation, the cheering lasting for fully a minute. His Lordship thanked them for their reception, speaking with considerable emotion. Two members, on behalf of the Council, expressed horror at the crime and pleasure at his Lordship's appearance. Lord Hardinge replied that he feared he would be unable to preside over the proceedings for some time. He would like to shake hands with all the members, but his arm was still in a sling. He left amid a storm of cheers.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE COUP D'ETAT IN TURKEY.

LONDON, January 28th.

A message from Constantinople states that Prince Said Halim has been appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs.

THE PEACE DELIBERATIONS.

LONDON, January 28th.

Though the Allies approve of the Note which was drafted at the meeting of the Delegates in London, its presentation has been deferred as the Servian Delegates are without instructions. It is understood that it will be considered at a farewell lunch which the Servian delegates are giving on Tuesday, but the presentation will probably be further delayed in order to give Turkey an opportunity of replying to the Powers.

A Constantinople message states that the Acting Foreign Minister has announced that the reply will probably be sent on Friday.

A SPORTING ADMISSION.

LONDON, January 28th.

Reuter's New York correspondent states that the Indian Thorpe, who was the winner of the modern Pentathlon and Decathlon at the Olympic Sports at Stockholm last year, has admitted having played baseball professionally some years ago. The American Amateur Athletic Union and the Olympic Selection Committee have issued an apology to the Swedish Committee and to the nations of the world for his inclusion in the American team, and promise to return the prizes, which will go to Sweden and Norway.

IMPERIAL WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

LONDON, January 28th.

At the Marconi Inquiry the Secretary of the Post Office pointed out the risk of delay and emphasised that if the Marconi Company withdrew and their system was afterwards adopted it would be difficult to resist a demand for higher terms, though it would a serious mistake to give up a good bargain.

THE PRIZE RING.

LONDON, January 28th.

Driscoll met Moran for the world's feather weight championship at the National Sporting Club. The contest went the full twenty rounds and ended in a draw.

THE GERMAN CROWN PRINCE.

LONDON, January 28th.

The Kaiser on the anniversary of his birthday on Monday promoted the Crown Prince to be a Colonel in the German Army.

DEATH OF AN AUSTRIAN ARCHDUKE.

LONDON, January 28th.

The death is announced of the Austrian Archduke Rainer.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

At the half-yearly meeting of shareholders to be held on Tuesday, the 11th February, 1913, the directors will recommend that a dividend for the half-year of one dollar per share, or $80,000, be paid to shareholders; $25,000 be written off the book value of steamers; $10,000 be written off value of wharves, properties and lighters; $5,000 be transferred to credit of Special Repairs Fund, leaving a balance of $22,845.88 to be carried forward to new account.

SUICIDE OF 3 BOYS.

Three youths entered a café in Vienna recently, seated themselves in a secluded corner, and ordered tea. Soon after the dull noise of falling bodies was heard above the din of the billiards playing and conversation in the café. A waiter hastened to see what had happened and found all three lying on the floor, evidently in the throes of death. Assistance was called and it was discovered that the youths had taken poison with fatal results.

The father of one of the youths, named Adolf Tuma, went to the café and identified his son, but the identity of the others was only established by means of an envelope found on one of them. It was addressed to a girl and contained a photograph of all three youths taken together.

The girl, who is a mere child, to whom they were all ardently attached, was asked by the police to go to the room where the bodies lay. She appeared little affected and said the youths had all threatened to commit suicide on her account and to send her their triple portrait in the hour of death.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday, Mr. D. W. Tratman, President, presiding. There were also present:—The Hon. Mr. W. Chatham (Vice-President), Dr. Fitzwilliams, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Col. Irwin, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Mr. Ng Hon Tsz, Mr. Chan Kai Ming, Dr. F. Clark (Medical Officer), Dr. Pearse (Assistant Medical Officer) and Mr. E. Bullock (Secretary).

AN INSPECTOR'S DEATH.

The first item on the agenda was a minute by the President in regard to granting vacation leave to Inspector Brown.

The President said that the moving of this proposition was unfortunately now unnecessary. He would like to take that opportunity of expressing his regret and that of the Board and the public at the loss of a valuable servant in Mr. Brown.

THE CREMATING OF DEAD BODIES.

Correspondence was submitted relative to the cremating of dead bodies.

The MEDICAL OFFICER of Health wrote pointing out that a body had been cremated in the Japanese crematorium, and asked whether there should not be special bye-laws to govern this matter, one of which would be the necessity for a *post-mortem* examination.

The Hon. Mr. HEWETT minuted—I am in favour of the erection of a public mortuary for the use of all.

Mr. CHAN KAI MING—I think a public mortuary for the use of those who prefer cremation would benefit all. Certainly there is no need to insist upon *post-mortem* examinations in cases where doctors have certified the cause of death and there is no suspicion of foul play.

Dr. FITZWILLIAMS—I think that this is a matter on which the Medical Board should have their opinions recorded. A crematorium would be of great benefit in Hongkong, but a *post-mortem* examination should be a *sine qua non*. It would settle the question of overcrowded cemeteries.

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—The Medical Officer of Health raises the question of passing bye-laws with reference to crematoria. In view of the fact that one such establishment has been started in the Colony, he might be asked to submit draft bye-laws for the consideration of the Board.

The HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT—The provision of general crematoria can be considered with the estimates. The present question is whether the crematoria require to be regulated by bye-laws.

The PRESIDENT—This is a new question. The first crematorium has been opened near Mount Caroline Cemetery, and I suggest, before taking any further steps in regard to it, we obtain, through the Government, information as to bye-laws governing crematoria in Japan—this is a Japanese crematoria—and also as to the laws governing crematoria in England. If this information, together with a set of drafted bye-laws, is furnished it might be of use to the Board later on. If any member desires any particular bye-law inserted in that draft I should be glad to hear of it now.

Mr. BOWLEY—I do not think it is necessary to refer to Japan on this subject, as all the material is in the Colony. I suggest that the bye-laws should be framed on the lines of the English regulations, and all the questions mooted in the minutes could be dealt with.

The PRESIDENT—With regard to the question of a public crematorium, any bye-laws that would be passed ought to cover any crematorium, whether erected for public or for private purposes.

Mr. BOWLEY—I suggest the bye-laws should be general.

Dr. FITZWILLIAMS—I second that—that the bye-laws be drafted as a preliminary to discussion here. I think the question of a *post-mortem* is a very big one.

LESS INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

Dr. CLARK mentioned that there had been eight cases of small-pox during the last seven days. There was no case of enteric, one of diphtheria, and one of puerperal fever, so that the report was rather more satisfactory than the last presented to the Board. Dr. Clark added that there were two cases of plague this year at Shaukiwan.

NO "NIGHT LIFE" FOR MOTHERS.

In a letter from "A German Woman to German Women," which is published in *Defence*, the organ of the German Army League, German mothers are urged to take up a firm stand against the growing craze for "night life" in Berlin. Nothing, the writer states, is so surely designed to sap the vitality of the nation and to annihilate martial virtues.

"We women," she says, "are the nerves of Germany. The men are the muscles. We have it in our power to lend those muscles the strength necessary for the maintenance of Germany's position in the world and the realisation of her legitimate ambitions."

SHIPPING NOTES.

The steamer *Peter Moerch* recently wrecked at Nekoi Island near Singapore had tea on board insured in London for £22,500.

The dredger *Canton River*, which has been purchased by the Sydney Harbour Board, is expected to leave Hongkong for the South this week.

The new steamer *Anyo-maru*, built at the Mitsu Bishi Yard in Nagasaki, to the order of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, was to be launched on the morning of the 26th inst. The new steamer is of 9,400 tons, and her estimated speed is 15 knots. She will accommodate 30 first-class, 50 second-class and 640 steerage passengers. She will be placed on the South American service in June next.

A Nagasaki dispatch says the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has placed an order with the Mitsu Bishi Shipbuilding Yard for the construction of a steamer of 10,400 tons. An order for a similar steamer has been placed with the Kawasaki Shipbuilding Yard in Kobe. The message adds that the Mitsu Bishi Shipbuilding Yard is already engaged in building a steamer of 10,400 tons to the order of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

In view of the unprecedented activity in the Clyde shipbuilding industry, it is known that a number of important developments are under consideration. Announcement has just been made that Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Company (Limited) has applied to the Greenock Harbour Trustees for a large area of hitherto undeveloped ground with a river frontage for the purpose of extension or new developments in connection with the business of the company.

The Hamburg-American Shipping Line has definitely decided to enter into competition with Canadian, American, and Japanese lines for the Pacific trade between the western ports of North America and the Far East. The new service will be inaugurated as early this year as is practicable. It will be in the nature of an extension of the company's existing service to the Far East, the vessels proceeding from Chinese and Japanese ports to Vancouver, Seattle, Portland, and San Francisco.

In the Admiralty Court, London, a number of consolidated actions were brought to recover salvage remuneration for services rendered to the Glasgow steamship *Glenroy*, after she had been in collision with the Dutch steamship *Rijnstroom* in the River Humber, off the Alexandra Dock, at Hull, on the night of November 2nd last. The collision action resulted in the *Rijnstroom* being found alone to blame. The plaintiffs in the present actions were the owners, masters, and crews of several steam-tugs. The award which the President made was as follows:—*Diplomat*, £240; *Minas*, £210; *Hutton*, £425; *Clansman*, £136; the *Hull* and the Dock Authority, £385—of that I give £50 to the master and crew of the *Hull*; Mr. Wheeldon £238, to include £136 expenses; Mr. Spink £50, and Mr. Collin £25—making a total award of £1,708.

THE MANILA CARNIVAL.

All Manila is now sitting up o' nights planning for the 1913 Carnival, which will open on February 1st and close "when they get through" on February 9th, and from the advanced statement of the Carnival Directors it shows that this year will eclipse all previous efforts in number of visitors as well as in quality of attractions.

Just now interest is centred in the commercial, auto and comic parade, which will be held on the opening day and end with a grand festivity known as "Raising the Devil," which will be followed by the "Devil Raising Ball" where everybody expects to have a grand time. More than $3,000 in prizes will be awarded to those who participate in the parade, which this year combines commercial, government, automobile, and comic sections, to make a pageant surpassing any of recent years in the Far East. Besides the many handsomely decorated floats, hundreds of maskers will join in the competition for the best costume prize of $100. After the parade has passed the reviewing stand, where the judges and officials will be seated, the ceremony of "Raising the Devil" will take place, and a huge head showing the sneering countenance of his satanic majesty in green and red electric lights will be hoisted over the gate with appropriate ritual.

We learn that the concessions which will line both sides of Joy Lane are more numerous and better than ever this year, and include almost every known amusements devised, from "temples of horrors" calculated to send one into shrieks of laughter to that hilarious delight of the youngsters, "The Merry-go-round," or the "Carousal."

The patron saint of this year's carnival is Billikin, and a monstrous image of this little fellow, with his happy-go-lucky smile, has been installed on the verandah of the administration building, at the back of which rises a tall steel tower of electric lights, which change from white to red and green. This can be seen from Corregidor, 30 miles away.

Judging from the way in which the hotels are filling up with visitors from the China coast and Japan, Manila is again to have her hotel accommodation severely taxed, but now that the new Manila Hotel is open and in running order, the lack of suitable accommodation cannot be so badly felt as on previous carnival occasions.

THE RICSHA COOLIE IN SHANGHAI.

INTERESTING STATISTICS.

To discuss the case of the ricsha coolie, a meeting was held in Shanghai last week at the residence of Dr. J. M. W. Farnham. Amongst those present were Dr. A. P. Wilder (presiding), Drs. O. von Schab, J. B. Fearn, H. C. Patrick, and C. J. Davenport, the Revs. Timothy Richard, C. E. Darwent, E. Box and J. M. W. Farnham, Messrs. G. Matheson, W. W. Lockwood, C. M. Bain, G. McIntosh, Donovan, Mr. Ma Soo (representing Dr. Sun Yat-sen) and other Chinese gentlemen. Dr. Fearn acted as Secretary to the meeting.

Having referred to the distress amongst local ricsha and wheelbarrow coolies, the Chairman called upon Mr. Matheson to address the meeting.

Mr. Matheson mentioned that there are 30,000 ricsha coolies in Shanghai. The ricshas are owned by men who hire them out to the coolies for so much per day and what is made over the amount of the hire paid to the owner belongs to the coolie. Repairs to the ricshas are paid by the owners, but fines for touting and obstruction have to be paid by the coolies, who, when the ricsha is confiscated for a period, have to bear the loss. The fine money is usually borrowed at twenty per cent. interest. There are over 4,000 rubber-tyred ricshas with an average of two coolies for each, and about 6,000 old ricshas with an average of three coolies each. The rubber-tyred ricshas are hired at from seventy-five to eighty cents, per day and the average daily takings of the two coolies are $1.20. Old ricshas are hired at twenty to thirty cents a day, and the daily takings of the three coolies average fifty cents. The coolies live from hand to mouth, eating when they can, starving when from sickness, confiscation of ricsha or other causes, they have none. When they can pay for a meal at a congee shop they are allowed to sleep for a few hours on the floor, but failing the cash the coolie, with his ricsha, keeps moving all night. One need not wonder, said Mr. Matheson, at the brevity of the lives of these unfortunate men. There are some of their haunts where for thirty cash with bedding, and thirteen cash without, a man may sleep for the night on the floor or on one of the tiers of shelves used for beds. Here the conditions are terrible: in the small rooms any number from ten to fifty sleep. In three small houses, which Mr. Matheson visited, he was informed that between 200 and 300 men were quartered at night.

The Rev. E. Box stated that the lives of the coolies were very short indeed after they entered upon this work, and he added that it should be possible to do something to alleviate their condition.

Dr. Davenport said the condition of coolies who went to Shantung Road Hospital was most pitiable. There was no question that their lives were short.

Mr. Matheson further stated that he had ascertained that some 4,000 of these coolies were married and that the married men lived outside the Settlements in huts which were worse than those of the beggars. The figures quoted were the result of personal investigation.

Dr. Schab suggested that the Municipal Council might have pointed out to it the desirability of the institution of a medical examination of coolies as was the case in Japan.

After some further discussion the following resolution was adopted:—

"That this meeting, recognizing that the ricsha coolies of the International Settlement are in urgent need of material aid in improvement of their present condition, appoints the following as members of a Committee with power to add to their number to investigate the physical and social conditions under which the ricsha coolies of Shanghai live, the committee to report to a meeting to be called by the secretary of this meeting with a view to steps being taken to improve the condition of this large contingent of workers."

The Committee was elected as follows:—Rev. E. Box, Messrs. Matheson, Lockwood, Ma Soo and Tsao.

Mr. Noel O. Watson writes to the *N.-C. Daily News* on the subject as follows:—

The meeting held yesterday to discuss the above subject only went to prove the futility of any charitable organization to deal with these wretched men.

Are we not as rulers and residents in this foreign concession responsible for a condition of affairs which, judging from recent figures, is becoming worse? Surely it is to the Settlement's interest to curb the immigration into our midst of the least desirable specimens of Chinese; how many, disgusted at such an existence, make a trial at thieving or burglary as a welcome change?

Dr. von Schab's suggestion that coolies should be medically examined is good; this with the issue of *licences*, should keep a check on their whereabouts or doings. Another remedy is that the tax on ricshas be raised; the industry can support this judging from the type of natives now able to hire these luxuries.

I hold no brief for trams, but they have come to stay. Our narrow, busy thoroughfares are choked with a mixture of vehicles such as no other town is afflicted with. The time has arrived when we should endeavour to relieve them.

BRITISH TRADE MARKS BILL.

The text has been issued of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill, to amend the law as to trade marks and trade descriptions, which has been presented by Mr. Basil Peto.

The measure seeks to provide that all goods bearing inscriptions liable to make purchasers believe that they have been manufactured within the British Islands shall be marked with the words "British Empire made," if manufactured in any part of the British Empire outside the British Islands, or with the words "Not British" if manufactured outside the British Empire.

All goods marked "British Empire made" in accordance with this provision are to be accompanied by a sworn declaration before a Commissioner for Oaths that the goods were manufactured within the British Empire.

The importation of goods not complying with the proposals is to be prohibited, and persons selling any such articles or making false representations as to the place in which the goods were made will be guilty of an offence.

THE SILVER MARKET IN THE PAST YEAR.

INDIAN PURCHASES AND HIGH PRICES.

Reviewing the principal features of the Silver Market during the past year, Messrs. Mocatta and Goldsmid in their annual circular state that the market was full of interest, and unusually active, the range of prices being wider than it was during the two preceding years, and the level distinctly higher.

The quotations for spot silver have varied between 25⅝d. and 29-11-16d., as against 23-11/16d. and 26⅛d. in 1911. In each year the lowest quotation was touched during the early months, thus indicating the rising tendency, and this has been particularly evident during the past 12 months, the lowest price 25⅝d. not having been again quoted since January 1st.

The year opened with a fairly active market, both India and China buying, and even before the end of January the price had advanced to 26-13-16d. A good deal of the Indian buying at this time was speculative in anticipation of the Indian Government being shortly in the market, the currency returns from Calcutta showing a sudden decrease of 2¼ crores in the stock of rupees during one week, and this being followed by further diminutions, the total reserve (apart from the gold standard reserve) was only 18 crores at the end of January as against 26 crores on the same date in 1911.

INDIAN AND CHINESE INFLUENCES.

The requirements of the Indian Government, which depend so very much on the crops, and therefore on a favourable or unfavourable monsoon, naturally could not be fully measured so early in the year, but the market became distinctly bullish, and by the middle of February 27⅞d. had been reached. February, however, was a month of somewhat wide fluctuations, a fall of 11-16d. occurring on the 16th. This fall was attributed to some profit-taking sales before the Chinese New Year, and not as might have been thought to the formal abdication of the Manchu dynasty and the establishment of a Republican Government in China which was announced on February 12th. The change of Government was, as a matter of fact, considered a bull point, the question of large Chinese loans being immediately talked of.

During April and May the quotation gradually advanced to over 28d., a level which had not been reached during the last five years, and it was very evident in the market that purchases of large amounts were being made, and the silver stored at the Bank of England, in order to conceal its ultimate destination. Suspicions, however, were raised as to the identity of the purchaser as the stock of rupees, according to the currency returns, being now reduced to 11½ crores, it was felt the Indian Government could hardly risk further withdrawals without making some provision to replace them.

In the meantime there were hopeful signs of the approaching monsoon, and these signs were quickly followed by the actual commencement of the rains in India, and the market once more seemed to take fresh life at rather a higher level, as high as 28-9-16 being quoted on June 22nd and 24th. The Chinese Loan negotiations, however, with the "Six-Power Group," which had been under consideration for some weeks, were reported not to be progressing smoothly, and as these loans were one of the bull factors in the market, the deadlock which was reported caused some uneasiness amongst the large holders of silver. During July, on it becoming realized that China had definitely rejected the terms on which the loan was offered them by the "Six-Power Group," some heavy profit-taking sales on Chinese account depressed the market, and with India the sole supporter, prices sagged till 27-9-16d. was touched early in August.

This last-mentioned quotation (27-9-16d.) proved, however, to be another turning point in the price fluctuations of the year, and early in August, on it becoming definitely realized that the large purchases which had given so much strength to the market since last March were for the Indian Government, and that therefore a large portion of the above-mentioned stock was earmarked for them, there was a sudden revival of orders and the price rushed up to 29⅛d. by the 17th of that month, which is higher than silver had been since 1907. These purchases for the Indian Government continued through August and September, and the price further advanced to 29-7-16d.; but at this comparatively high level China was a fairly heavy seller, and orders were easily filled. During the latter part of September the Shanghai exchange became distinctly firmer, and there was a rather sharp advance in the rates, apparently influenced by the issue of loans to China by independent financiers, both on the Continent and in London, outside the "Six-Power Group." Purchases of silver were made in connection with these loans, and by October 2nd the price was as high as 29⅞d., and remained at about that level for some days. Large arrivals of Mexican dollars, however, prevented the likelihood of much further rise, and on this being realized, profit-taking sales caused a rapid decline, and within the next few days 29d. was quoted.

HIGHEST PRICE TOUCHED.

During November the Indian Government bought silver to the extent of a further £1,000,000 to add to the five million bought earlier in the year; but this had little effect on the price, which remained at a lower level than it had during October. The effect of these purchases, however, became more marked during December, the shipments considerably reducing the visible stocks in London and giving the market a healthier undertone. The highest quotation of the year, 29-11-16d. for spot, was reached several times during the last month and the market has been unusually active, although at the actual close, partly owing to dearer money, and partly to signs of the stock again accumulating, we now quote considerably below the highest quotation.

It will be seen that the feature of the year has been the large quantities bought by the Indian Government, and the consequent advance in the price, though the Chinese Loan negotiations have not been without their influence.

Looking to the future, the probable course of silver is very difficult to forecast. We have to remember that the metal is now (in spite of the recent fall) about 4d. an ounce higher than a year ago, and therefore much further advance seems hardly likely. The large holdings by bulls, about which so much was heard last year, are still a menace to the market, for although at times these holdings have been reduced, the rise in price this year has given speculators fresh heart, and their holdings are again considerable. On the other hand, in spite of the Indian Government having bought £6,000,000 during the year, their stock of silver in the Currency Department, including that already shipped from London, is considerably less than at this time last year. It will thus be seen that should the withdrawals of rupees during the next five months be on the same scale as in 1912, the stock of silver in the Currency Department would be reduced to a point which would necessitate further large purchases by the Government.

The total imports of silver show an increase of over two million sterling, as compared with last year, but this increase is almost entirely due to the rise in price. The actual amount of silver received from New York has been almost the same, though the arrivals from Canada have slightly increased. The exports of silver show that considerably less was sent to the Continent, Russia, Germany, and France having each taken only about half the quantity they took in 1911. The Royal Mint has again been very active for home coinage, though the coinage for West Africa has been much less than the two previous years.

INDIAN DEMAND FOR GOLD.

With regard to gold, Messrs. Mocatta and Goldsmid state that, as in 1911, there is little of interest on which to comment with regard to gold, the chief feature being the extraordinary lack of movement in the quotation which has remained at the minimum price, 77s. 9d., throughout the whole year, with the exception of the last day of September and the first two days of October, when 77s. 9½d. was quoted, there being at that time a keen demand for New York. With these conditions there have been very few weeks when the Bank of England has not received part or all of the arrivals (subject to the usual requirements for India and the trade) at the official minimum of 77s. 9d., and during the year has received £29,200,000 in bars.

The total exports also show an increase, amounting to about six million sterling, for, although France and Turkey have taken less, the requirements for India continue to increase and the shipments there in small bars and sovereigns reach the very big total of £12,000,000. Nearly £8,000,000 has gone to Egypt and about £7,000,000 to Germany.

TANJONG PAGAR CASE.

END OF THE RECORD ACTION IN CHANCERY.

This is how the *Daily News and Leader* of December 21st alludes to the close of the Aird-Tanjong Pagar case in London:

An action which has extended over 42 days and is said to have cost £7 a minute came to an end in Mr. Justice Parker's Court in the Chancery Division yesterday. The documents on each side weighed half a ton. The dispute concerned a £1,000,000 contract by Messrs. John Aird & Co. for the construction of a dock at Singapore for the Tanjong Pagar Dock Board, and the famous contractors claimed £500,000 damages for alleged misrepresentations with respect to the strata through which the trenches had to be sunk.

The opening statement of Mr. Upjohn, K.C., took four days, and he called twenty-four witnesses, some of whom declared that there was no mud in the world to compare with Singapore, and that it was "slithery, oily, watery, and impossible to handle." The men who did not catch fever got some form of skin disease, the frogs made a noise like "a motor-bus in Fleet-street," the timber fell in, and if a man slipped off he disappeared unless somebody was near to pull him out, and then he left his high boots behind.

The Dock Board denied the allegations of misrepresentation, declaring that plaintiffs were well aware of the conditions, and said they had suffered a loss of a million through Messrs. Aird not carrying out the contract.

Five K.C.'s and a "galaxy" of juniors were briefed, and the fees and "refreshers" are said to have run into five figures. The leader on one side received 2,500 guineas on his brief, and the leader on the other 2,000 guineas, each getting a "refresher" of £100 a day.

His Lordship came to the conclusion that there had been a blunder through carelessness, but no intention to deceive, and reserved judgment on other points.

In the fees paid, the mass of documents, and time occupied this case beats the famous "Wyler *v.* Lewis" action in the King's Bench Division, which lasted thirty-five days and was known as the "everlasting case."

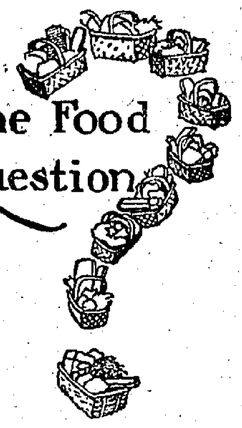
THE THREATENED STRIKE OF SEAMEN.

A conference of delegates from branches of the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union all over the country was held on December 29 at Poplar Town Hall to consider the position in the shipping industry. A circular urging members of the union to prepare for a strike was recently issued by Mr. Havelock Wilson, the president. There were about 150 representatives present at the conference yesterday, including delegates from Hamburg, Bremen, Antwerp, and Rotterdam. Mr. Wilson presided over the meeting, which was private. At the close he made the following statement to the Press:—

"The conference dealt with the question of the national policy, which means the demand on the part of the seamen for the establishment of a conciliation board, not only to deal with the question of wages, but also hours of labour, the manning question, agreements, and the general conditions of service on board ship. After a full discussion of these questions, and an expression of opinion from the delegates of all the different ports strongly in favour of insisting on a national conference with the owners, it was resolved that the matter be referred to the executive council to take whatever action they may deem necessary at their next meeting, which will be held on January 4 at the Maritime Hall.

INTIMATIONS

OVERWORK, FATIGUE, EXPOSURE.



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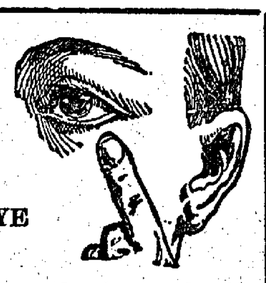

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WEDNESDAY, 5th Feb.:—
Geo. Du Maurier's Play
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THURSDAY, 6th Feb.:—
Sir Arthur Pinero's Play
SWEET LAVENDER.

MONDAY, 10th Feb.:—
Shakespeare's Farcical Comedy
THE TAMING OF THE SHREW.

TUESDAY, 11th Feb.:—
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CURTAIN AT 9.15 P.M.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1913. [246

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1913. [245

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1912.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE FLOWER and VEGETABLE SHOW will be held on the 7th and 8th March, in the BOTANIC GARDENS.

Intending Exhibitors should send their Entry-Forms to the Hon. Secretary not later than the 28th February.

Copies of Rules and Schedules may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary,
L. GIBBS,
6, Beaconsfield Arcade.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1913. [240

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE COMMITTEE has decided that the following shall be the Settling Days for 1913:—

THURSDAY,	30th January.
THURSDAY,	27th February.
FRIDAY,	28th March.
TUESDAY,	29th April.
THURSDAY,	29th May.
FRIDAY,	27th June.
WEDNESDAY,	30th July.
FRIDAY,	29th August.
MONDAY,	29th September.
THURSDAY,	30th October.
FRIDAY,	28th November.
MONDAY,	29th December.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1913. [235

NOTICE.

IT has been decided to form a ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY in Hongkong and with a view thereto all Irishmen in the Colony are requested to at once furnish their names and addresses to A. H. G. JACKSON, of Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, or to D. E. DONNELLY, of Messrs. GARNER, QUELCH & Co. If sufficient response is forthcoming hereto a Meeting will be held on a date to be arranged of which due notice will be given.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1913. [231

NOTICE.

OUR PATRONS and the GENERAL PUBLIC ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that from This Day forth no receipt will be Valid except it is Chopped with our Chop and Signed by 陳勵予 (CHAN LAI Ü).
HOUNG CHEONG & Co.,
Tailors and Outfitters.
60, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1913. [159

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. DODWELL & Co., LTD., TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), 30th January, 1913, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1912.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd to 30th January, 1913, both days inclusive.
DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1913. [213

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 8th FEBRUARY, 1913, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1912.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be effected.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1913. [229

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 10th FEBRUARY, 1913, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1912.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 1st February, to MONDAY, 10th February, 1913 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Acting Secretary to the
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.,
Agents for the
KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING Co., LTD.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1913. [230

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY-THIRD ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 11th FEBRUARY, 1913, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th January to the 11th February, 1913, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1913. [186

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

LOST.

APPLICATION has been made to the General Managers of this Company to issue to CHARLES HOPE SHIELDS of Canton a DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE of 100 Shares in this Company, or other Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof, upon Statement that the Original Certificate No. 10814—100 Shares Numbered 233277/233376 and dated 20th March, 1912, has been LOST or DESTROYED; AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days from the date hereof no Claim or Representation in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the General Managers they will then proceed to deal with such application for a Duplicate.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1913. [216

CHEAP SALE

WE Beg to offer our Stock of GOLD and SILVERWARES, SILK GRASS-CLOTH, etc., at a Great Reduction Sale.
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Hongkong, 25th November, 1912. [1360

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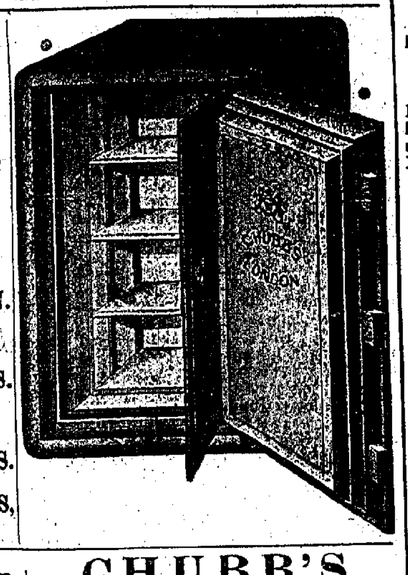

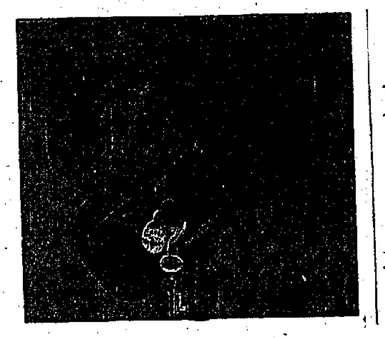

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HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Club will be held at 5.15 P.M. on MONDAY, the 3rd February, 1913, at the Rooms of THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB, to pass the Accounts for the Season 1912, and elect the Committee and Officers for the coming Season.
REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1913. [205

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of February, 1913, at 12 o'clock NOON, when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 25th day of January, 1913, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions:—

1. That the Memorandum of Agreement bearing date the Nineteenth day of April, 1912, and made between JOSEPH WHITTLESEY NOBLE, the Honourable MR. EDWARD OSBORNE, and the Honourable MR. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK (Members of the Committee appointed by the Shareholders of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, at the Annual General Meeting of that Company held on the Twenty-fifth day of March, 1911,) of the one part and SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., in their capacity of General Managers of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, of the other part, as supplemented by a letter bearing date the Eighth day of May, 1912, and addressed by the said SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., as such General Managers as aforesaid to the above-named Members of the above-mentioned Committee and by the letter of such Members in answer thereto bearing date the 14th day of May, 1912, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed by the Shareholders of the said Company.
2. That the regulations contained in the copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED (which for the purpose of identification have been subscribed by Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., as General Managers of such Company, and which may be inspected by any Shareholder of the said Company at the Offices of the said General Managers at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, or at the Offices of Messrs. DRACON, LOOKER DEACON & HARSTON at No. 1, Des Vœux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, on any week-day between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.) be and the same are hereby accepted as the Articles of the said Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.
Dated this 27th day of January, 1913. [241

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager
Hongkong, 1st July, 1911. [19

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Hongkong, 2nd November, 1912. [220

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K. TSUDZURABARA, Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1911. [1279

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E. J. H. VAN DELDEN, Acting Manager,
No. 8, Des Vœux Road Central.
Hongkong, 7th August, 1912. [21

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.
EISHI ONO,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1913. [443

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL $15,000,000
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£1,500,000 at 2/—$15,000,000
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1912. [18

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F. C. MACDONALD,
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Hongkong, th September, 1912 909

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WM. DICKSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [133

ENTERTAINMENTS

VICTORIA THEATRE.

DURING the 29th and 30th of January, the HUGHES MUSICAL COMEDY Co. will Play in the CANTON CLUB and will Re-open for THREE NIGHTS ONLY in the above Theatre.

FRIDAY, 31ST JANUARY.
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SATURDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY.
The Greatest Novelty ever presented in the East. Change of Scene in 25 seconds.
"SPEDLEBOUNDER'S DREAM."

SUNDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY.
The Great Comedy, First Time in the East
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MATINEES:
SATURDAY, 1st February, at 3.30 P.M.
"SPEDLEBOUNDER'S DREAM."
SUNDAY, 2nd February, at 6 P.M.
"HANS NICK."
Hongkong, 28th January, 1913. [233

BIJOU

9.15 P.M.—PROGRAMME—9.15 P.M.
LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM
(Drama).
WINTER SPORTS AT BOLEDA,
TWO FINE COMICS,
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PATHE GAZETTE.
STAG HOUNDS MEET.
BRITISH, FRENCH AND RUSSIAN FLEETS OFF CONSTANTINOPLE.
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MISS CECILE STEPHANO
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7.15 P.M.—PICTURES ONLY—7.15 P.M.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1913. [61

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FURNISHED HOUSE up at the PEAK from 1st March next. Furniture (entirely Supplied by Lane, Crawford & Company) and fittings to be sold at a valuation.
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Hongkong, 18th January, 1913. [203

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ON Upper Levels, a LARGE AIRY ROOM with Bathroom attached. Suitable for One or Two Gentlemen. With or without board.
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Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1912. [73

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"CRAIG RYRIE," No. 4, The Peak, To Let. 8 ROOMS; Tennis and Croquet Lawns; Fine Situation.

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Hongkong, 14th January, 1913. 64

TO LET.

SHOP in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.
Apply—
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Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1912. [69

TO LET.

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153, PRAYA EAST, GODOWN.

152A, PRAYA EAST, GODOWN, suitable for Storage of Kerosine.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LTD.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1913. [63

HOW TO AVOID COLDS.

A SIMPLE REMEDY FOR A PREVALENT CONDITION.

During the wet and gusty weather, which is so common during the first two months of the year, colds and sore throat are always very prevalent.

Few people know that some of the leading consulting physicians in London regard colds and certain forms of sore throat as closely allied to rheumatism, and caused by the same conditions. Everyone, however, knows that these diseases occur only in those who are out of sorts and below par. It is almost impossible for vigorous, healthy people to catch colds or sore throat. If, therefore, people made a point of taking a tonic as soon as they felt a little "seedy," they would never catch either complaint, provided they took just ordinary care so as not to get into draughts when overheated, and so on.

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Discussing them, a distinguished London physician, writing in *The General Practitioner*, says: "Amongst the many preparations I have tried, I find Sanatogen reaches more nearly the ideal than any other among easily-absorbable concentrated, nutritious food preparations"; while *The British Medical Journal* says: "Sanatogen is the best of artificial foods, easily retained and easily assimilated."

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Sanatogen may be bought of all Chemists. Those who desire to know more of the preparation before purchasing it should write for a copy of a most interesting little Book, "The Art of Living," by Dr. Andrew Wilson. It will be sent, free, to all mentioning this paper, on application to Messrs. A. WULFING & Co., 6, Kiukiang Road, Shanghai. Sanatogen is largely used by the physicians to the crowned heads of Europe, ten of whom, including one of the late King Edward's physicians, have expressed themselves in the most enthusiastic terms of the benefits it confers on their patients. [110-524

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1913. [153

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FURNISHED or Unfurnished, 6, Mountain View, Peak, containing SIX ROOMS.

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York Buildings, Chater Road.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1912. [72

RUBBER INVESTMENT.

RECENT COMPANY RESULTS.

[BY A CORRESPONDENT IN THE "TIMES."]

The announcement, published this morning, of an increased interim dividend on the shares of the Malacca Rubber Plantations, one of the principal companies engaged in the Malayan industry, affords an opportunity for reviewing the position and prospects of rubber as an investment.

Although the price of the commodity has suffered a substantial decline since the hot panting days of the boom—66 per cent. or more—it is difficult to deny that rubber, as a speculative investment, has still points in its favour not readily equalled. Rubber is a commodity for which there is a steadily increasing demand, and the price of it, in spite of a large increase in production, shows a very remunerative margin of profit. Many of the rubber companies produce tea as well as rubber; but tea is not the counterpart of rubber, for there is a world of difference in the economic positions of the two. The price of tea approximates more closely to the cost of production, but that of rubber is, in the case of well-developed companies, at present hundreds per cent. in excess of it. No doubt the present disproportion will tend to diminish; but for the present rubber companies apparently need not fear much reduction in the present range of prices judging from the large number of forward contracts which consumers have thought fit to make at current values. The importance of these contracts as an indication to the future lies in the fact that the bulk of the supplies are disposed of by private treaty, only a small proportion being sold at the auction sales.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND.

At present it is estimated that more than one-half of the supply of rubber is consumed by the tire-making industry, and consequently in endeavouring to form some idea of the outlook for the commodity it must be borne in mind that the prospects of the tire-making trade is the chief determining factor. It is computed that in 1910 33,000 tons of rubber were consumed in the making of tires, that last year the quantity had increased to about 40,000 tons, and that by the end of this year 54,000 tons will have been required out of a total of about 100,000 tons. The expansion in the tire-making industry has been very marked during the past few years, as these figures indicate, thanks to the growth of motoring; but the demand for pleasure motor-cars as a luxury must to a certain extent depend upon the general conditions of trade, while the quantity required by other rubber-using industries is largely determined by price. Trade conditions at present are decidedly favourable, but it is equally certain that they will become as decidedly unfavourable in the ordinary course of economic reaction. On the other hand, it is declared that the consumption of rubber in industries other than tire-making would increase largely, if manufacturers could be assured of a low level of prices and absence of much fluctuation.

The world's production of rubber is at present composed of rather more than one-fourth of plantation and nearly three-fourths of wild rubber, but next year the supply of the plantation variety is expected to increase by some 15,000 tons, or between 50 and 60 per cent. The prospect of this formidable increase, however, does not dismay those acquainted with the position. It is freely predicted that if the price of plantation sank to the comparatively low level of 2s. 6d. per lb. the demand for it would increase very considerably. It was stated a few days ago that at least one large firm in the City would be quite prepared to put rubber paving on the market if they could get the raw material for 2s. per lb. Yet, if the general cost of production was 1s. per lb., and rubber realized 2s. per lb., a clear profit of 100 per cent. would remain, so that the price of rubber has still to fall a good deal more before such a thing as a crisis could occur, unless demand shrivelled up on trade reaction. It is estimated that consumption is at present more than equal to the demand, a view which is supported by the fact that on November 1st this year the visible supply was only 8,818 tons, a decrease on the year of 2,286 tons.

BRAZILIAN PRODUCTION AND EXCHANGE.

In this connection there is a point upon which those interested in plantation companies are for ever laying stress upon, namely, the relative positions and merits of the wild and cultivated varieties. It is a widely accepted belief that if the price of rubber fell to, say, 2s. per lb., the collection of indigenous rubber in Brazil would be rendered to a large extent unprofitable, owing to the high cost involved in gathering the latex over a large scattered area and the cost of transport. An interesting contribution to this controversy was made by Mr. Arthur Lampard at the United Serdang meeting recently, at which he said that his view that South America could not compete with plantation rubber if the price of rubber should fall to an unusually low level was based largely on the question of exchange. Between 1899 and 1903, he said, the value of the milreis rose from 7. 15-32d. to 12 1-16d., an advance of about 50 per cent.; between 1904 and 1908 there was a further rise to over 15d.; and from 1909 to 1912 the value of the milreis was over 16d. This had caused an increase of over 100 per cent. in the cost of production. In other words, a price of 4s. per lb. in 1899 would have brought 6 42 milreis per lb. as against only 2.96 milreis per lb. at 4s. per lb. now—a condition of affairs which, he pointed out, would prevent any great increase in the Brazilian output.

Subjoined are two tables giving a selection of plantation company results, as shown in reports which have recently made their appearance. It will be seen that in most cases a substantial advance is recorded, which seems likely to be carried still further, provided the price of the commodity is fairly well maintained:—

Company.	Net Profits.	Inc. or Dec.	Dividends.	Inc. or Dec.
	£	£	Per cent.	Per cent.
Anglo-Sumatra...	26,281	+ 8,504	22½	+ 7½
Brich	9,501	6,614	12½	12½
Bukit-Kajan ...	24,727	11,563	22½	10
Carey United ...	40,204	1,831	16½	8½
Castlefield ...	22,984	14,341	45	25
Fed. Malay States	Fr. 2,470,093	Fr. 856,924	90	30
Kamuning ...	31,837	3,633	17½	2½
Kuala Lumpur ...	131,990	14,570	65	7½
Malacca ...	159,966	75,070	40	20
North Hummock..	19,948	4,348	30	Same
Singapore Para	0 291	1,371	9	1
Sumatra Para	53,414	10,674	40	2½
Tebrau ...	12,458	9,457	10	2½
Tremelbye ...	32,343	15,413	40	15
United Serdang...	72,696	28,889	35	15
United Sumatra...	26,466	6,221	25	4 1.6

Company.	Crop for Past year.	Inc. or Dec.	Estimated Crop for current Year.	Inc. or Dec.
	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.
Anglo-Sumatra...	192,222	+ 97,442	300,000	+ 107,778
Brich	68,807	35,887	95,000	26,200
Bukit Kajang ...	194,177	104,150	300,000	105,823
Carey United ...	140,574	56,653	160,000	19,426
Castlefield ...	154,665	82,265	210,000	55,34
Fed. Malay States	720,853	267,017	1,000,000	279,147
Kamuning ...	222,426	94,893	815,000	93,574
Kuala Lumpur ...	859,660	183,012	1,030,000	170,340
Malacca ...	1,074,906	687,211	2,000,000	925,094
North Hummock.	130,106	43,595	160,000	29,894
Singapore Para ..	117,698	53,541	210,000	92,302
Sumatra Para ..	303,410	89,669	390,000	86,590
Tebrau	116,612	83,810	200,000	83,388
Tremelbye	232,456	131,256	330,000	97,544
United Serdang ..	434,979	316,449	921,000	386,021
United Sumatra ...	153,610	72,271	270,000	116,370

Many companies have lately been declaring dividends. In the case of some of those properties in an advanced stage of development these dividends are smaller than at the corresponding period owing to the lower price of the commodity, while in other cases those companies, which are increasing their production at a higher proportionate rate, are increasing their distributions. For instance, the third interim dividend of the Linggi Company is 33⅓ per cent. as compared with 43¾ per cent., while the distributions of the younger companies show an appreciable increase. The Pataling has now declared interim dividends amounting to 175 per cent. as compared with 150 per cent. at this date last year; while the Selangor Rubber Company, another very successful concern, has announced interim distributions amounting to no less than 187½ per cent. on account of the current year.

With regard to the companies mentioned in the table, it should be noted that the Kamuning Company this year paid on a larger capital, and that the profits from tin declined by £2,048, while those from rubber rose by £17,645. The distribution made by the Brich Company signalizes its entry into the select category of dividend-paying companies. The United Serdang Company expects to obtain a profit of £97,000 this year and of £157,000 in the following 12 months.

Unlike the case of other speculative industries, such as mining, the production of a rubber company is more or less a determinable quantity; a rubber tree of a certain age will produce a certain roughly known quantity of latex. Yet the rate of dividend yield on Rubber shares compares favourably with that obtainable on the shares of companies engaged in other forms of enterprise. In conclusion, reference, perhaps, should be made to the question of synthetic rubber, which was the subject of an interesting lecture recently by Dr. Mollwo Perkin. Apparently there are still important difficulties yet to be overcome before the production of pure synthetic rubber can offer any serious menace to the natural article, but Dr. Perkin emphasized the amount of energy and money which is being expended on rubber research in the laboratory, and advised planters to endeavour to improve the methods of collecting and treating rubber in order to be prepared for every eventuality.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 28th at 10.55 a.m.—The anti-cyclone has weakened and spread eastward. It now covers the whole of Japan and Korea.

Pressure has decreased moderately over China, and increased moderately over central and N.E. Japan. It is inclined to give way slightly over the southern districts.

The monsoon may be expected to set in again along the East coast of China to-morrow. Fresh monsoon over the N. China Sea

Hongkong rainfall for 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:

DISTRICT	FORECAST.
* Hongkong & Neighbourhood	
Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, strong.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks.	The same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ..	The same as No 1.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, HULL, LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GLENROY,"

Captain H. W. L. Holman, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, 29th inst., at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1913. [222

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BREMEN,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON TO-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 31st Jan. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st Jan., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 7th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1913. [4

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"SOMALI,"

Arrived Hongkong on 26th January, 1913.
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed AT THEIR RISK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD and DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1913. [1

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "SHIMOSA."

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd Feb. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th Feb., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd Feb., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & Co., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1913. [242

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "KOREA,"
FROM SAN FRANCISCO VIA JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

THE above-mentioned Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills-of-Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed immediately at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after THURSDAY, 30th Jan., at NOON, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered TUESDAY, 4th Feb, at NOON, will be subject to landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown MONDAY, 3rd Feb., at 10 A.M.

No Claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to Consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All Claims must be filed on or before 28th Feb., otherwise they will not be recognized.

FRED. J. HALTON,
Agent.
Hongkong, 28th January 1913. [30

FASHIONS AND FANCIES.

FIRST COURT OF THE NEW YEAR.

The announcement of the first Court of 1913 for the 7th of February points to a very early ante-Easter season. The Courts of 1912 were necessarily late owing to mourning for the Duke of Fife. There will be a great rush for this season's, as a large number of applications had to be refused for this year's (1912) Courts, even though a fifth was held. We shall see some lovely gowns for this occasion, in particular exquisite brocades and velvets in not only subdued and poetic tints, but also in the vivid and emphatic tones that are a feature of the fashions of to-day Barbaric almost are some of these, and they seem to re-echo the Post-Impressionist pictures at the Grafton Galleries Colours that no one would dream of associating some years since are now thrown together with garish effect. But it is all for the good of trade.

GLOOMY WINTER DRESSES.

There is another word to be said for these vivid colours at this time of the year, when we have such low-spirited tints as a rule. The garb of womankind in winter is dull and mournful beyond description, and has been for many years, when a uniform of long, dark coat and black or deep-tinted hat has characterised the smartest members of our sex. Usually, it is true, there is a bright note struck in the hat, and sometimes on the lapels of the coat, but the general effect is one of unmitigated gloom. When one remembers the beautiful coat-and-skirt costumes of four or five years since, one compares them with those of to-day with distinct disadvantage to the latter. There were then to be seen lovely coloured embroideries, and many of these were in braids, harmonising tints worked on white silk or white crash. The enlivening effect of collar and lapels decorated in this way was great. Then there were the long waistcoats of brocade, embroidery, or white satin braided in black, but showing quite as much of the satin as of the braid. These have all disappeared, leaving just a touch of embroidery at the neck, and perhaps a small turn-down collar at the back in coloured silk or velvet. The sailor collar of last year has developed into a nondescript appendage which looks as if it were trying to be a hood. It reaches to the waist, and is often finished at either side with a tassel. It is utterly useless, and cannot be called ornamental, but variety is indispensable, according to the creed of the men milliners, who make the fashions. It is variety that puts money in their pockets, and one of their highest aims is to make the coats, the gowns, and the hats of last year unavailable except for those who make no attempt to keep abreast of the changing mode.

SPUN-GLASS AIGRETTES.

Now that the unfortunate osprey of the tropics has been almost exterminated by the demand for its lovely aigrette, a substitute has been found of spun glass, and it is to be regretted that it was not discovered years ago, when it might have saved the lives of hundreds of birds, killed in the most cruel manner.

BLACK DIAMONDS *v.* JET.

"How very becoming your jet fillet was!" said one girl to another, discussing a dance of the previous evening. Immensely disgusted, her companion said, "Jet? They are black diamonds!" The other carelessly replied, "Oh, I beg your pardon! I should never have discovered that for myself." It certainly is against the advantages of black diamonds that they should be so easily mistaken for an ornament comparatively so trifling in expense as cut jet, but it cannot be denied that the resemblance is a close one. As to diamonds themselves, who can say which are real and which imitation? A little half-guinea lace pin made of paste may possibly outvie one at £25, especially if the stones are allowed to become dim and dusty. Some of the most particular and fastidious of women seem to forget that jewellery requires periodic cleaning. The same idea sometimes prevails with lace, which is worn until it presents a terribly grimy aspect. Lace is sometimes too costly and too fragile to be sent to the cleaner very often, but no such excuse can be put forward in the case of jewellery. It responds readily to brushing up with plate powder, especially a fine kind sold by some jewellers for the purpose. One sees gold chains and gold bracelets without any jewels positively begging for a good wash in soap and water with soda in it. It makes them look like new, and the trouble is infinitesimal. A good rub-up after immersion in the water brings them to the brilliance that gold should have.

THE ONE-SIDED BODICE.

According to the sartorial prophets the one-sided dress bodice is to continue well into 1913. By one-sided the arrangement of different materials on either side is indicated, but it is rather difficult to find a word for it. There is no doubt that on a good figure a bodice with velvet or brocade on one side forming the sleeve, and with tulle or chiffon on the other, has a very effective aspect. It is a modification of the prevalent fashion for making the bodice almost entirely of some thin material, while the rest of the dress is velvet, brocade, cashmere, marquisette, &c.

A MISSION OF 1913.

If the coming year has any particular mission of dress it must be that of adding to the volume of the existing skirt. Already 1912 has began this work, and it will be interesting to see how far its successor will carry it out. In Paris dresses are not worn nearly so exiguously clinging as they were in the earlier part of the year. London is slowly following the example of the city of chiffon. For the rest, who can say. Prophesying is a thankless trade, more particularly concerning matters of dress.

TUNICS IN VARIETY.

Some of the new evening tunics are embroidered in steel. One of these on black net has a spray of flowers for the centre of the front and long lines of embroidery at the sides. A smaller floral motif trims the front of the bodice, and is repeated on the back, the sleeves, reaching the elbows, matching in design. Worn over black, this handsome tunic has almost too brilliant an effect, but if worn over white (one of the white silk slips now so essential) the effect is much lovelier and very much subdued. A little boy who saw a tunic of the kind over white satin clapped his hands and cried, "It is like a fairy tale." Let anyone who is tired of steel on black try the effect of a steel-embroidered tunic, over white, either silk or satin.

A BARBARIC MODE.

The band for the hair in evening dress, of whatever it may be composed, whether diamonds, gold, or ribbon, is being worn lower and lower with every month, and one or two of our fashionable women have added the jewel in the centre, which falls on the forehead, just above the nose. This has always a suggestion of the barbaric, but this effect will be even greater when the jewel hangs low enough to fall on the nose itself, as it really threatens to do. According as the band comes lower and lower the hair is pressed down with it upon the brows, giving a very animal expression to the face. The present mode of wearing the hair over the ears, entirely concealing them, aids this animal look. It would have suited a Cleopatra, a Messaline, or an Empress Catherine, but some of the more refined faces of our own time are seen with this coiffure.—X. AND Z. in the *Globe*.

THE BEETLE KING.

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DO WE IMPROVE?

OPTIMISTIC JUDGMENT OF FRENCH PHILOSOPHER.

Are we better than we were? This interesting question is asked and answered by M. Jean Finot, in an article which appears in *La Revue*. This optimistic philosopher, who is known for his studies on happiness and longevity and other phases of contemporary life, is equally encouraging in his ideas on the trend of human character. We are getting better, he contends.

Happily for us we are growing nobler as well as richer. To be convinced of it we have only to compare the ideal of the past with our actual moral state. In a comparison between the best humanity of other days, and those who are distinguished from the obscure crowd of to-day, the advantage, he claims, is on our side. "A comforting conclusion emerges:—We are better in our thoughts and actions."

Pessimism, he thinks, lacks scientific base. For, if it were well founded, it would precipitate us into a veritable nothingness. Our sympathies are wider than before. An immense cross covers the world. Our enlarged spiritual life gives new force and extent to our sentiments. In declaring for the moral beauty of the epoch, M. Finot pays eloquent homage to the magnificent system of Christ. And then, he declares, definitely, that contemporary man is a nobler being than his ancestors in remote centuries.

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In another part of his article the writer contrasts the old notion of a revengeful God with our present conception of a God of forgiveness, and concludes favourably to modern exegesis. Of the saints, he thinks that those in everyday life are entitled to the aureole of canonisation. These pure and self-sacrificing souls are not rarer than in times past.

A new and grandiose fraternity is visible everywhere. War has now to count with the peace movement. Man is nearer to divinity. Even in our contact with dumb creation human conscience exhibits elevation, and in her aversion from cruelty to animals the little Paris workgirl shares the sentiments of Montaigne, of Bayle, or Leibnitz.

Just as there is more happiness on the earth, there is moral progress. Once again M. Finot preaches a gospel of comfort and joy to his fellow-beings.

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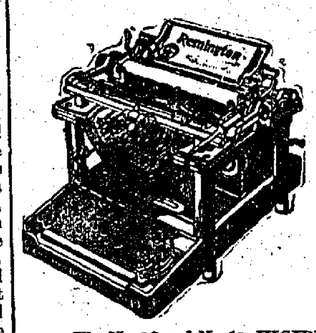

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LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M. str. *Derfflinger*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 8th January, left Colombo on the 26th January, and may be expected here on or about 6th February.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s str. *Yeddo* left Singapore on the 24th January, and is expected to arrive here on the 31st January.

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The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Ludwig*, which left here on the 22nd January, at 10 a.m., arrived at Singapore on the 26th January, at 8 a.m.

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

BENLAWERS, British str., 2,520, H. W. Bee, 20th January—Moji 14th January, Coal.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

BORNEO, German str., 1,344, F. Sembill, 23rd January—Sandakan 17th January, General.—Melchers & Co.

CHINHUA, British str., 1,349, Benson, 26th January—Shanghai 23rd January, Nil.—Butterfield & Swire.

CHIPSHING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 24th January—Bangkok 10th January, Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DAINICHI MARU, Japanese str., 1,952, T. Nakamura, 24th January—Moji 18th January, Coal.—Bradly & Co.

DEVAWONGSE, British str., 1,057, E. Gathe-man, 22nd January—Bangkok 16th January, Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

DUNERIC, British str., 1,210, J. F. Tullock, 21st January—Bangkok 13th January, Rice.—Bank Line, Ltd.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British str., 5,940, S. Robinson, R.N.R., 18th January—Vancouver 26th December, Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.

FENGTEIN, British str., 1,073, A. Harris, 15th January—Swatow 14th January, Ballast.—Butterfield & Swire.

HANOI, French str., 739, A. Marquerite, 26th January—Haiphong and Pakhoi 24th January, General.—A. R. Marty.

IBAKUTO MARU, Japanese str., 3,282, K. Nishikawa, 15th January—Java, Coal:—Order.

JAPAN, British str., 6,012, C. P. Seddon, 24th January—Calcutta via Ports 9th January, General.—D. Sassoon & Co.

KAIFONG, British str., 1,025, J. V. Sidford, 17th January—Manila 14th January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

KAIJO MARU, Japanese 1,293, Y. Yamamoto, 25th January—Swatow 24th January, General.—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

KAMOR, Norwegian str., 949, S. Falk Murs, 27th January—Wakamatsu 21st January, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

MEXICO MARU, Japanese str., 3,760, N. Kobayashi, 27th January—Tacoma 24th December, General.—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

MINNESOTA, American str., 13,333 T. W. Garlick, 24th January—Seattle 16th December, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

MISHIMA MARU, Japanese str., 5,270, A. E. Moses, 27th January—Shanghai 24th January, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

MUREX, British str., 3,006, H. Milles, 27th January—Tarakan 20th January, Liquid Fuel.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

NELEUS, British str., 4,600, B. C. Lewis, 19th January—Shanghai 16th January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

OPLAND, Norwegian str., Eriksen, 26th January—Takao Swatow 25th January, Case Oil.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

OTARU MARU No. 2, Japanese str., 1,070, Yoshiaka, 16th January—Miike 10th January, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

PETCHABURI, German str., 1,373, C. Gosewich, 25th January—Quang Yen 12th January, Stone.—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

RANGOON MARU, Japanese str., 3,188, Y. Kamoshita, 20th January—Moji 15th January, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

SABINE, RICKMERS, Dutch str., 513, De Vries, 25th January—Foochow 23rd January, Bulk Oil.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SAMBIA, German str., 4,765, F. Buch, 13th January—Shanghai 10th January, General.—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

SEXTA, German str., 992, Jensen, 26th January—Bangkok 18th January, Rice.—Chinese.

SHANSI, British str., 1,232, Simons, 22nd January—Swatow 21st January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

SIAM, British str., 991, F. Pugeon, 24th January—Hongay 30th January, Coal.—Order.

SIKIANG, French str., 615, de Catalano, 26th January—Haiphong 25th January, General.—Messageries Maritimes.

SOMALI, British str., 4,192, W. Cooke, R.N.R., 26th January—London 14th December, General.—P. & O. S. N Co.

SZECHUEN, British str., 1,142, E. L. Jones, 21st January—Port Courbet 19th January, Coal.—Butterfield & Swire.

TEMIYA MARU, Japanese str., 2,042, K. Yamada, 25th anuary—Muroran and Hokkaido 14th January, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TITANIA, German str., 1,800, Vogt, 23rd January—Tsingtau 19th January, Nil.—Order.

TJILIWONG, Dutch str., 3,061, Scholten, 27th January—Souranaya 17th January, Sugar and General.—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TJITAROEM, Dutch str., 1,234, J. B. Reyd, 25th January—Miike 21st January, Coal.—Order.

TUNGUS, Norwegian str., 1,039, C. L. Halvorsen, 25th January—Saigon 20th January, Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

VOLUTE, British str., 2,995, Wilton, 26th January—Kobe 20th January, Ballast.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

WONG KOI, German str., 1,115, N. Oldmanns, 26th January—Bangkok and Swatow 25th January, Rice and Wood.—Butterfield & Swire.

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KOREA	18,000	...	TUESDAY,	4th Feb., at 1 P.M.
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MONGOLIA	27,000	...	TUESDAY,	25th Mar., at 1 P.M.
* PERSIA	9,000	...	TUESDAY,	15th April, at 1 P.M.
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18th Mar. ...	NILE ...	20th Mar.	8th Mar. ...	NILE ...	10th Mar.
15th Apr. ...	PERSIA ...	17th Apr.	16th Mar. ...	MONGOLIA	18th Mar.
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HONGKONG TO CANTON.	CANTON TO HONGKONG.
WEDNESDAY, 29TH JANUARY, 1913.	
8 a.m. "HEUNGSHAN."	8 a.m. "FATSHAN."
10 p.m. "FATSHAN."	5 p.m. "KINSHAN."
THURSDAY, 30TH JANUARY, 1913.	
8 a.m. "HONAM."	8 a.m. "HEUNGSHAN."
10 p.m. "KINSHAN."	5 p.m. "FATSHAN."

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HONGKONG TO MACAO.

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EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 1913.

The Company's Steamship

"SUI AN"

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N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 a.m., and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

This Steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 p.m.

FARES AS USUAL.

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S.S. "HOI-SANG," 457 tons,

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S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons, and S.S. "NANNING," 569 tons.

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S.S. "BOHEMIA," 7,900 tons, will leave as above on 30th Jan., at D'light.
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S.S. "VORWAERTS," 12,900 tons, will leave as above about 1st Feb.
S.S. "E. F. FERDINAND," 12,000 tons, will leave as above about 3rd March.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	TONS	DATE OF SAILINGS.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MOJI	"YEDDO"	7,200	On 31st Jan.
COPENHAGEN and BALTIC PORTS	"CANTON"	6,500	On 3rd Feb.

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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIBODAS...	JAVA	Second half of January.	SHANGHAI	Second half of January.
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TJILIWONG	JAVA	Second half of January.	JAPAN	Second half of January.
TJILATJAP..	JAVA	Second half of January.	JAPAN	Second half of January.
TJIMAHI ...	JAPAN	First half of February.	JAVA	First half of February.
TJIMANOEK	JAVA	First half of February.	JAPAN	First half of February.
TJIPANAS...	JAVA	First half of February.	SHANGHAI	First half of February.
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The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1913. 16

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FOR	STEAMERS	TONS	TO SAIL.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN... ... * Calling at Manila.	* "GOEBEN," Capt. A. AHLBORN,	18,300	Tuesday, 4th Feb., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"DERFFLINGER," Capt. F. PROESCH,	17,000	About Thursday, 6th Feb.
MANILA, YAP, MARONN, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOUNE ...	"PRINZ SIGISMUND," Capt. D. LENZ,	6,000	Saturday, 22nd Feb., at 9 A.M.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA...	"PRINZ SIGISMUND," Capt. D. LENZ,	6,000	About Tuesday, 4th Feb.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN...	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMBILL,	5,000	Thursday, 30th Jan., at 10 A.M.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1913. 4

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"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH" Capt. E. MALCHOW.	16,000 "	ON MARCH 19TH.
*"BUELOW" Capt. H. FORMES.	17,250 "	ON APRIL 1ST.
"PRINZESS ALICE" Capt. L. FRANCK.	20,300 "	ON APRIL 16TH.
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1912. [59

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STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
ZAFIRO	4000	McMurray ...	Manila, Mangarin, Ilcilo and Cebu	On 5th Feb., 4 P.M.
RUBI	4000	J. Miller... ...	Manila, Mangarin, Ilcilo and Cebu	On 15th Feb., 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1913. PHILIPPINES S.S. Co. 10

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EASTWARD.

S.S. "JAPAN," 6,013 tons, Captain C. P. Aeddon, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MOJI on 30th Jan., at Noon.

S.S. "THONGWA," 6,298 tons, Capt. Fysh, will be despatched to KOBE & MOJI (YOKOHAMA if sufficient inducement offers) on 14th Feb.

WESTWARD.

S.S. "ARRATOON APCAR," 4,450 tons, Capt. R. F. Thomson, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA on 12th Feb.

S.S. "JELUNGA," 5,206 tons, Capt. D. Macfadyen, will be despatched as above on 17th Feb

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ARRIVALS.

BANRI MARU, Japanese str., 2,369, Y. Mase, 28th January—Keelung 25th January, Coal.—Dodwell & Co.

CHOISANG, British str., 1,021, S. Bruhn, 28th January—Bangkok 18th January, Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

CHOYSANG, British str., 1,424, Courtney, 28th January—Shanghai 24th January, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HAIMUN, British str., 615, J. W. Evans, 28th January—Swatow 27th January, General.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

HANGSANG, British str., 1,356, S. Wilde, 27th January—Shanghai 24th January, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HONG WAN I, British str., 2,060, J. Mason, 27th January—Singapore 21st January, General.—Chinese.

HOILHOW, British str., 896, McCulloch, 28th January—Weihaiwei 8th January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

KOREA, American str., 5,651, A. W. Nelson, 28th January—San Francisco 27th December, Mails and General.—Pacific Mails S.S. Co.

VILLE DE LA CIOTAT, French str., 3,557, B. Safont, 27th January—Marseilles 29th December, General.—Messageries Maritimes.

YUENSANG, British str., 1,120, P. H. Rolfe, 28th January—Manila 25th January, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
January 28th.

BENLAWERS, British str., for London.
CHOYSANG, British str., for Canton.
HONG WAN I, British str., for Amoy.
JOHANNE, German str., for Tourane.
KAIJO MARU, Japanese str., for Foochow.
KASHING, British str., for Saigon.
SHIMOSA, British str., for Yokohama.
TAMSUI, British str., for Swatow.
TJITAROEM, Dutch str., for Batavia.
WINGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

January 28th.

DUMBEA, French str., for Saigon.
FURST BULLOW, German str., for S'pore.
HAICHING, British str., for Swatow.
HSINCHANG, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
PERSIA, British str., for San Francisco.
SOMALI, British str., for Yokohama.
TALTHYBIUS, British str., for Liverpool.
TEAN, British str., for Manila.
UFADA, British str., for Rangoon.
ULY, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.
VILLE DE LA CIOTAT, Fr. str., for Y'hama.
YOKOHAMA MARU, Jap. str., for Seattle.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Choysang* reports: Moderate monsoon in Formosa Channel.

The French str. *Ville de la Ciotat* reports: Strong N.E. winds and heavy swell.

The British str. *Hangsang* reports: Strong northerly gale and heavy sea from Woosung.

The British str. *Yuensang* reports: Moderate to strong monsoon and high sea with cloudy weather.

The German str. *Choising* reports: Fine weather at first, afterwards, strong N.E. and heavy sea yesterday fine weather again.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Siberia*, carrying the American mail, left Yokohama for this port via Manila on the 28th January, between 10 a.m. and noon.

The P.M. str. *China* left San Francisco on the 17th January, for Hongkong, via Honolulu. Japan ports and Manila.

The T.K.K. str. *Shinyo Maru* arrived at Yokohama from Honolulu on the 21st January, and is due here on the 31st January.

The P.M. S.S. Co. str. *Manchuria* left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, the usual Japan Ports and Manila on Thursday, the 23rd inst.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Sigismund* left Sydney on Saturday, the 11th of January, at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 3rd of February.

The E. & A. str. *Aldenham* left Sydney on the 15th January, for this port (via Queensland ports and Manila).

The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Sydney on the 20th January, for this port (via Queensland ports, Timor and Manila).

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s str. *Himalaya* left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., at 10 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 30th inst., at about 10 a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The A.L. str. *Bohemia* left Singapore for this port on the 23rd January, p.m., and will arrive here on the 29th January, a.m.

The Danish str. *Tranquebar* left Singapore on the 23rd January, and may be expected here on or about the 29th January.

The A.L. str. *E. F. Ferdinand* left Singapore for this port on the 22nd January and will arrive here on the 30th January.

The str. *Glenlogan* left Singapore on Saturday, the 25th inst., and is due here on Friday, the 31st inst.

The Ben Line str. *Benvenue* from Middlesbro', Antwerp and London left Singapore on the 26th inst., for this port.

The A.A.S.S. Co.'s str. *Inverclyde* passed the Suez Canal on the 7th January, and is due here on or about 5th February.

The T.K.K. str. *Bayo Maru* left Callao for Salina Cruz on the 14th January, and is expected to arrive in Hongkong on the 20th March.

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Yatshing, from Singapore, is due in Hongkong 31st January.

Onsang, from Chinwantao, is due in Hongkong 31st January.

Yatshing, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 1st February.

Namsang, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 4th February.

Fooshing, from Guaymas, is due in Hongkong 5th February.

Fooshing, from Guaymas, is due in Hongkong 5th February.

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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

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SECTIONS.
1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAMES.	FLAG & RIG	BERTH.	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ASSAYE	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Cookman, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st Feb., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &C.	SUNDA	Brit. str.	—	C. E. Irving, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PEMBROKESHIRE	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	About 6th Feb.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	ALTMARK	Ger. str.	k. w.	Luening	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th Feb.
HAVRE, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Girstenbräu	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 8th Mar.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	O. J. D. AHLERS	Ger. str.	k. w.	Frerichs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th Mar.
MARSEILLES, BREMEN, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	GOLDENFELS	Ger. str.	k. w.	Diedrichsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c	KAGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. Tabusa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th Feb., at D'light.
MARSEILLES, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	BELGRAVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Rassau	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 15th Mar.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA, VIA SHANGHAI, &C.	MEXICO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Kobayashi	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 5th Feb., at 2 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &C.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Tominaga	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th Feb., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN &c.	CHICAGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 20th Feb., at 2 P.M.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, S'TON, MANILA	GOEBEN	Ger. str.	—	A. Ahlborn	MELCHERS & Co.	On 4th Feb., at 10 A.M.
TRIESTE, FIUME, VENICE VIA SINGAPORE, &C.,	VORWAERTS	Aus. str.	—		SANDER, WIELER & Co.	About 1st Feb.
TRIESTE, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &C.	BOHEMIA	Aus. str.	—		SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 13th Feb., at 5 P.M.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	INDRAWADI	Brit. str.	—	Charters	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 15th Feb.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	LOVAT	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 30th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	INDRADEO	Am. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 26th Feb.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 8th Feb., at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Davison	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 8th Mar., at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER (B.C.) & PORTLAND (OR.)	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Kotzte	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd Mar.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	KOREA	Am. str.	—		PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 4th Feb., at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	SHINYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. S. Smith	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 11th Feb., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	SIBERIA	Am. str.	—		PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 18th Feb., at 1 P.M.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	CANTON	Swed. str.	—		ARTHUR NILSSON & CO.	On 3rd Feb.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 1st Feb., at 11 A.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Finlayson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Feb.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th Feb., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Lenz	MELCHERS & CO.	On 22nd Feb., at 9 A.M.
CAPEPORTS VIA MAURITIUS	DUNERIC	Brit. str.	—	Tullock	THE BANK LINE LIMITED	End of Feb.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN VIA JAPAN	KIYO MARU	Jap. str.	—		TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 1st Feb., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	C. P. Acddon	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.	To-morrow, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE via SHANGHAI	E. F. FERDINAND	Aus. str.	—		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	About 1st Feb.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	QUILOA	Brit. str.	—	Cole	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 11th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Yamawaki	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 11 A.M.
KOBE & MOJI	YATSHING	Brit. str.	—	R. Y. Anderson	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 4th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Lenz	MELCHERS & Co.	About 4th Feb.
KOBE & MOJI	THONGWA	Brit. str.	—	Fysh	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.	On 14th Feb.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Winckler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th Feb., at Noon.
JAPAN	TJILIWONG	Dut. str.	—		JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	BOHEMIA	Aus. str.	—		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	FENGTIEN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI	CHINHUA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Benson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	TOTOMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Mocker	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI	HIMALAYA	Brit. str.	—	H. G. Evans R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 30th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YEDDO	Swed. str.	—		ARTHUR NILSSON & CO.	On 31st inst.
SHANGHAI	ANHUI	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. B. Harris	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Feb., at M'night.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	Brit. str.	—	Spencer Wilde	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 2nd Feb., at D'light.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KIRIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Deguchi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Feb.
SHANGHAI	CHOYSANG	Brit. str.	—	M. Courtney	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 4th Feb., at D'light.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DERFFLINGER	Ger. str.	—	F. Prosch	MELCHERS & Co.	About 6th Feb.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NAMUE	Brit. str.	—	A. Collyer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 7th Feb.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DEN OF CROMBIE	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	About 10th Feb.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	O. J. D. AHLERS	Ger. str.	k. w.	Frerichs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 11th Feb.
SHANGHAI	TJIBODAS	Dut. str.	—		JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	KAIJO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Yamamoto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 10 A.M.
ANPING & TAKAO VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Tashira	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 5th Feb., at 8 A.M.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Fuchigami	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Feb., at 10 A.M.
AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIYANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. E. Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 4th Feb., at D'light.
SWATOW	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. S. Roach	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 31st inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 1st Feb., at 2 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Sidford	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th Feb., at 4 P.M.
MANILA, MANGARIN, ILOILO & CEBU	ZAFIRO	Am. str.	—	F. S. McMurray	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 5th Feb., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	Leask	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 8th Feb., at 2 P.M.
MANILA, MANGARIN, ILOILO & CEBU	RUBI	Am. str.	—	Miller	SHEWAN TOMES & CO.	On 15th Feb., at 4 P.M.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	TJITAROEM	Dut. str.	—		JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Christiansen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Feb.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOKSANG	Brit. str.	—	T. A. Mitchell	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 6th Feb., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON & CALCUTTA	TOSA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Feb.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, & RANGOON	FULTALA	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Tallent	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 9th Feb., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	ABRATOON APCAR	Brit. str.	—	R. F. Thomson	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	On 12th Feb.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	F Sembill	MELCHERS & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
HAIPHONG	SINGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. D. Milne	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
KWANG CHOW WANG & HAIPHONG	SI-KIANG	Fren. str.	—	E. de Catalano	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 9 A.M.

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1913. [50

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SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	*"DEN OF CROMBIE"	About 10th Feb.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Saturday, 1st Feb., 2 P.M.
† SHANGHAI	"HANGSANG"	Sunday, 2nd Feb., D'light.
† SHANGHAI	"CHOYSANG"	Tuesday, 4th Feb., D'light.
KOBE & MOJI	"YATSHING"	Tuesday, 4th Feb., Noon.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Thursday, 6th Feb., Noon.
* MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Saturday, 8th Feb., 2 P.M.

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	From Quebec.
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Hongkong, 3rd January, 1913. [1421

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1913. [1

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1913. [102

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SHANGHAI	HIMALAYA, Capt. H. G. Evans, R.N.R.	About 30th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ASSAYE, Capt. G. W. Cockman, R.N.R.	Noon, 1st Feb.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	SUNDA, Capt. C. E. Irving, R.N.R.	About 5th Feb.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	NAMUR, Capt. A. Collyer	About 7th Feb.	Freight and Passage.

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1913. 1

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, WEI-HAIWEI & CHEFOO	"FENGTIEN"	On 30th Jan., D'light.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 30th Jan., 4 P.M.
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HAIYANG*	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 4th Feb., at D'light.

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S.S. SILESIA .. .. 15th Feb.
S.S. SUEVIA ... . 15th Feb.
S.S. SPEZIA ... ... 26th Feb.
S.S. SCANDIA ... ... 10th Mar.
S.S. SITHONIA ... ... 23rd Mar.

HOMEWARD.

FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. ALTMARK ... .. 5th Feb.
FOR MARSEILLES, BREMEN, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. GOLDENFELS .... 10th Feb.
FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. BRISGAVIA 8th Mar.
FOR MARSEILLES, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. BELGRAVIA 15th Mar.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. O. J. D. AHLERS 16th Mar.
FOR VANCOUVER (B.C.) & PORTLAND (OR.).
S.S. SITHONIA ... ... 22nd Mar.

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CHIYO MARU	W. W. Greene	TUESDAY, 11th Mar., at Noon.
NIPPON MARU	A. G. Stevens	TUESDAY, 1st April, at Noon.
TENYO MARU	E. Bent	TUESDAY, 8th April, at Noon.

THE S.S. "SHINYO MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 11th February, at Noon.

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STEAMER	TONS	DATE OF SAILING.
KIYO MARU	17,500	SATURDAY, 1st Feb., at Noon.
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Steamers	Captains	Leaves
† "MEXICO MARU"	N. Kobayashi	WED'DAY, 5th Feb., at 2 P.M.
‡ "CHICAGO MARU"	J. Goto	THURSDAY, 20th Feb., at 2 P.M.
† "CANADA MARU"	K. Hori	WED'EAY, 5th Mar., at 2 P.M.
‡ "TACOMA MARU"	T. Hamada	SATURDAY, 22nd Mar., at 2 P.M.
† "PANAMA MARU"	J. Kanao	WED'DAY, 2nd April, at 2 P.M.
* "SEATTLE MARU"	T. Saito	SATURDAY, 19th April, at 2 P.M.

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Steamer	Captain	Leave
"KAIJO MARU"	Y. Yamamoto	WED'DAY, 29th Jan., at 10 A.M.

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leave
"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Fuchigami	SUNDAY, 2nd Feb., at 10 A.M.
"DAIGI MARU"	Y. Somekawa	

FOR ANPING AND TAKAO VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leave
"SOSHU MARU"	K. Tashira	WED'DAY, 5th Feb., at 8 A.M.

FOR CANTON.

Steamer	Captain	Leave
"SOSHU MARU"	K. Tashira	FRIDAY, 31st Jan.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS AND DISPLACEMENT	TONS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	KAGA MARU, Capt. G. Tabusa,	12,500	WED'DAY, 12th Feb., at Daylight.
	ATSUTA MARU, Capt. J. Nagao,	16,000	WED'DAY, 26th Feb., at D'light.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, and YOKOHAMA	§ INABA MARU, Capt. S. Tominaga,	12,500	TUESDAY, 11th Feb., at Noon.
	§ SHIDZUOKA MARU, Capt. Irizawa,	12,500	TUESDAY, 25th Feb., at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi,	9,600	WED'DAY, 12th Feb., at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler,	9,300	WED'DAY, 12th Mar., at Noon.
CALCUTTA VIA SINGAPORE PENANG & RANGOON	‡ TOSA MARU, Capt. T. Sato,	12,000	SATURDAY, 8th Feb.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	‡ KAWACHI MARU, Capt. A. Christiansen,	12,500	MONDAY, 3rd Feb.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	HITACHI MARU, Capt. T. Yamawaki,	12,500	THURSDAY 30th Jan., at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	‡ TOTOMI MARU, Capt. A. Mecker,	5,000	THURSDAY 30th Jan.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler,	9,300	WED'DAY, 12th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	‡ KIRIN MARU, Capt. Deguchi.	5,000	MONDAY, 3rd Feb.

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Steamers to Colombo		Leave Hongkong		Connecting Steamers from Colombo to Marseilles & London		Due Marseilles (Brindisi 2 days earlier)		Due Plymouth (London 1 day later)	
Steamer	Tons	Noon, Saturday		Steamer	Tons	Saturday		Friday	
ASSAYE	7500	February	1	MALOJA	12500	Mar.	1	Mar.	7
HIMALAYA	7000	February	15	MOREA	11000	Mar.	15	Mar.	21
DEVANHA	8000	March	1	MARMORA	10500	Mar.	29	April	4
DELTA	8000	March	15	MEDINA	12500	April	12	April	18
INDIA	8000	March	29	Through Steamer		April	26	May	2
ASSAYE	7500	April	12	MONGOLIA	10000	May	10	May	16
DEVANHA	8000	April	26	MACEDONIA	10500	May	24	May	30
CHINA	8000	May	10	MALWA	11000	June	7	June	13
						Sunday		Saturday	
DELTA	8000	May	24	MOOLTAN	10300	June	22	June	28

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

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STEAMERS	TONS	Leave Hongkong		Due Marseilles		Due London	
NOVARA	7000	January	22	February	23	March	5
SUNDA	5700	February	5	March	9	March	19
SARDINIA	7000	February	19	March	23	April	2
SOMALI	7000	March	5	April	6	April	16
NAMUR	7000	March	19	April	20	April	30
NANKIN	7000	April	2	May	4	May	14
NYANZA	7000	April	16	May	18	May	28
NORE	7000	April	30	June	3	June	13
NILE	7000	May	14	June	17	June	27

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES.

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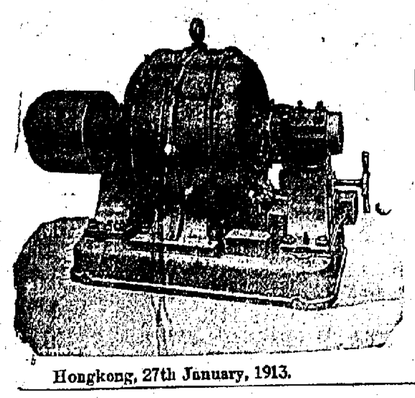

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

The *Anhui*, with the remaining portion of the London Mail (via Siberia) of Saturday, the 4th inst., and the Mail of Friday, the 10th inst., is expected to arrive here to-day.

The *Himalaya*, with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 25th inst., at 10 a.m., and is expected to arrive here to-morrow, at 10 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route on the 27th December, and for despatch overland on the 31st December.

FOR	PER	DATE
Fort Bayard, Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon	*Si-Kiang*	Wednesday, 29th, 8.00 A M
Swatow	*Haimun*	Wednesday, 29th, 9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Kaijo Maru*	Wednesday, 29th, 9.00 A M
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon	*Hanoi*	Wednesday, 29th, 9.00 A M
Macao	*Sui Tai*	Wednesday, 29th, 1.15 P M
Shanghai, North China, Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Chefoo	*Fengtien*	Wednesday, 29th, 5.00 P M
Shanghai and North China (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	*Bohemia*	Wednesday, 29th, 5.00 P M
Kudat and Sandakan	*Borneo*	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A M
Japan via Yokohama	*Japan*	Thursday, 30th, 11.00 A M
Macao	*Sui Tai*	Thursday, 30th, 1.15 P M
Shanghai and North China	*Chinhua*	Thursday, 30th, 3.00 P M
SHANGHAI AND NORTH CHINA (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	*Himalaya*	Thursday, 30th, 5.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haitan*	Friday, 31st, 9.00 A M
Haifong, Pakhoi and Saigon	*Singan*	Friday, 31st, 9.00 A M
Macao	*Sui Tai*	Friday, 31st, 1.15 P M
		—: FEBRUARY :—
Philippine Islands, Timor, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Port Darwin	*Eastern*	Saturday, 1st, 10.00 A M
Japan via Moji, Honolulu, Manzanillo, Salina, Cruz, Callao, Arica, Iquique, Valparaiso and Coronel	*Kiyo Maru*	Saturday, 1st, 10.00 A M
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Yokohama	*E. F. Ferdinand*	Saturday, 1st, 10.00 A M
STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, and EUROPE via BRINDISI (Late Letters 11.00 to NOON. Extra Postage 10 cents). (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, the 31st instant, at 5 p.m.	*Assaye*	Saturday, 1st, Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A M; Registration ... 10.15 A M; Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 11.00 A M; Registration, Kowloon P.O. ... 9.30 A M; Letters 11.00 A M
Philippine Islands	*Yuensang*	Saturday, 1st, 1.00 P M
Macao	*Sui Tai*	Saturday, 1st, 1.15 P M
Shanghai and North China (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	*Anhui*	Saturday, 1st, 5.00 P M
Shanghai and North China	*Hangsang*	Saturday, 1st, 5.00 P M
Swatow	*Haimun*	Sunday, 2nd, 9.00 A M
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Thursday Island	*Changsha*	Monday, 3rd, 11.00 A M
Amoy and Foochow	*Haiyang*	Monday, 3rd, 5.00 P M
Shanghai and North China	*Choysang*	Monday, 3rd, 5.00 P M
Japan via Kobe	*Yatshing*	Tuesday, 4th, 11.00 A M

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ON LONDON:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/-½
Bank Bills, on demand	2/-⅝
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/-½
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/-⅜
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/1⅛
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	2/1⅛
ON PARIS:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	258½
Credits, at 4 months' sight	263½
ON GERMANY:—	
On demand	209½
ON NEW YORK:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	49⅞
Credits, at 60 days' sight	50⅛
ON BOMBAY:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	152
Bank, on demand	152¼
ON CALCUTTA:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	152
Bank, on demand	152¼
ON SHANGHAI:—	
Bank, at sight	71⅞
Private, 30 days' sight	72⅜
ON YOKOHAMA:—On demand	99⅞
ON MANILA:—On demand—Pesos	100½
ON SINGAPORE:—On demand	87½
ON BATAVIA:—On demand	123
ON TAIPEHONG:—On demand	1 % pm.
ON SAIGON:—On demand	¾ "
ON BANGKOK:—On demand	75¾
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	$9.75
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		per cent	
Chinese	20 cents pieces	$6.26	discount
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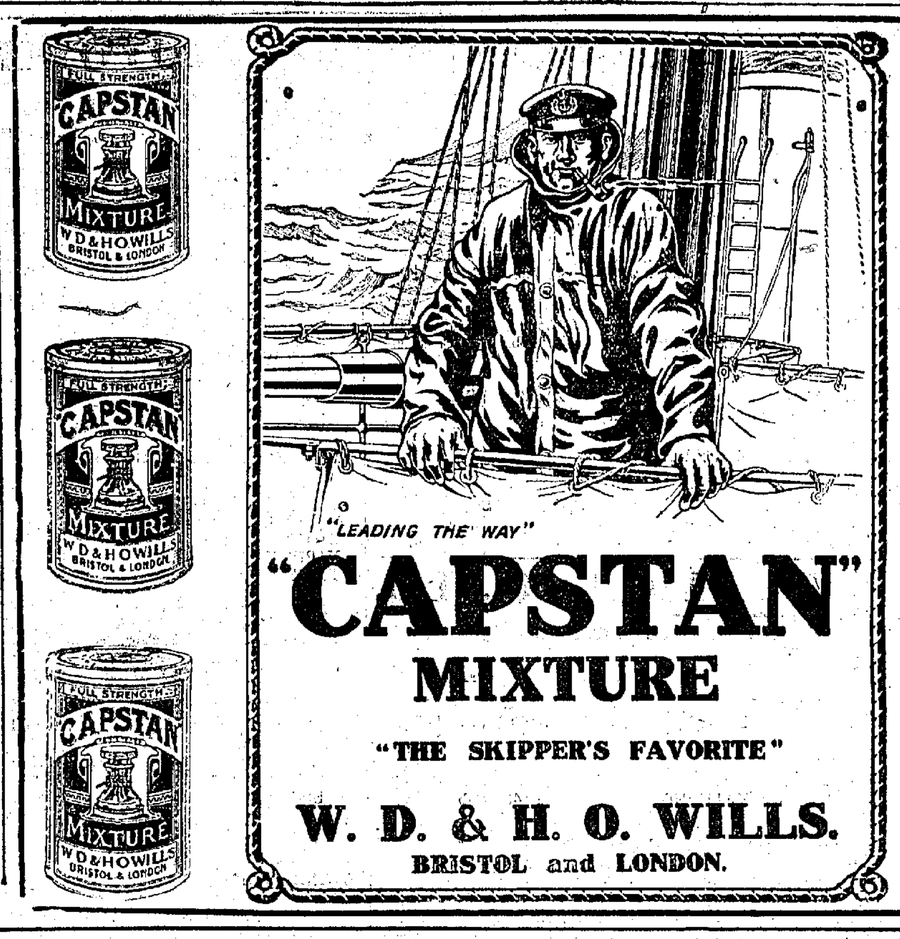
Hongkong	20 "	$3.30	"
Hongkong	10 "	$6.55	"

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

London Date	Due Shanghai
January 9th.	January 25th.
January 10th.	January 27th.



SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 28TH JANUARY, 1913.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	$125	all	$835, buyers; L'don £85.10/-
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	$12	all	$10¼, sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	$5	all	$2.80
	50,000	$1	all	
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld.	200,000	$10	all	$9½, sellers
COTTON MILLS.—				
Ewo Cotton Spin'g. & Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 144
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld	125,000	$10	all	$8¾, buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	$7½		$23, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.—				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ld.	60,000	$50	all	$75½, sal. & buy.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	50,000	$50	all	$58, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	$6¼	all	$7½
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 73
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co., Ld.	36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 107
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	$10	all	$4.40, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	$10	all	$26½, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	$50	all	$115, buyers
	8,000		$25	$73
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	15,000	Ps. 10	all	P8½
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	all	$200
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	$10	all	$19½, buyers
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ld	15,000	$10	$7	$2
INSURANCES.—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	$250	$50	$270
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	$100	$20	$150
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	$83.33	$25	$100
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	$250	$50	$384, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 132
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	$250	$100	$827½, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	$100	$60	$192½, @ Ex 73
LAND AND BUILDINGS.—				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	$100	all	$101½, x. div.
Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ld.	25,000	$100	$75	$200
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ld.	150,000	$10	all	$8½
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld.	6,000	$50	$30	$36, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 89
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$50	all	$54¾, x. div.
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch-en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat	25,000	Gds. 10	all	Tls. 73½, buyers
MINING.—				
Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ld.	1,000,000	£1	all	35/-
Tronoh Mines, Limited	160,000	£1	all	83/9, sales
Heawood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ld.	822,000	2/-	all	4/3, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£1	all	$4, buyers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	$10	all	$11½
	50,000	$10	$1	$1
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	$10	all	$5
REFINERIES.—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	$100	all	$109
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	$100	all	$40
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ld.	30,000	$25	all	$10
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$50	all	$34, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	all	$28, sal. & buy.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld	60,000 pref.	£5	all	$84, L'don. buy. £8
	60,000 def.			
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited.	2,500,000	£1	all	113/- sales
Star Ferry Company, Limited	30,000	$10	all	$36½, sellers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	$25	all	$22
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	$5	all	$4, buyers
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$10	all	$25
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	$7	all	$9, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	$10	all	$3½
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	$10	all	$6¾
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	$10	all	$18, buyers
Gande, Price & Co., Ltd.	50,000	$10	all	$6
Societe des Pulpes et Papeteries du Tonkin	13,200	$50	all	$30, sellers
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ld.	15,000	$10	all	$10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	$10	$	$9½, sellers
	100 fders	$10	all	$300.
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	$10	all	$14¾, sales
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ld.	325,000	5/-	all	5/3

Daily Wire

RUBBER.— Para Rubber in London ... 4/4¾ per lb., done.

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Par.

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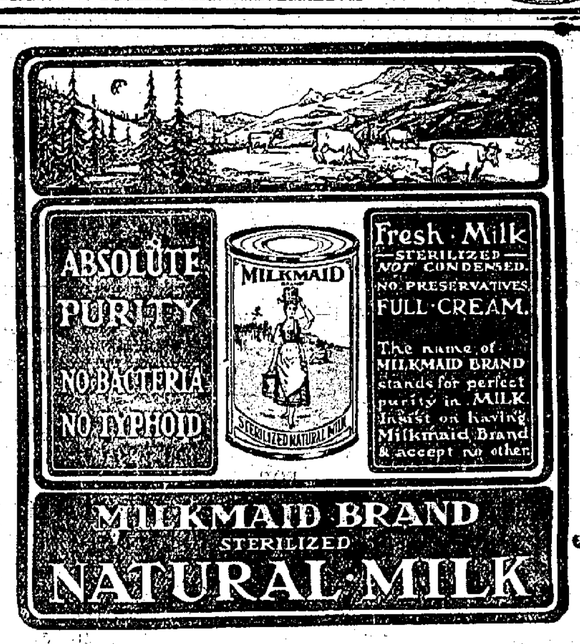

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 29th to January 4th February, 1913.

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	High Water. H'kong. Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. H'kong. Mean Time	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	29	m 2 36	5 3	m 8 17	2 6
		3 13 a	5 3	9 33 a	2 9
Thurs.	30	m 4 2	4 6	m 9 3	3 2
		4 6 a	5 7	11 19 a	2 5
Fri.	31	m 5 55	4 1	m 9 52	3 6
	Feb.	4 59 a	6 0		
Satur.	1	m 7 43	4 0	m 0 37	2 0
		5 51 a	6 4	m 10 43	4 8
Sun.	2	m 9 17	4 0	m 1 36	1 5
		6 41 a	6 9	m 11 36	4 0
Mon.	3	m 10 4	4 1	m 2 26	1 2
		7 30 a	7 1	0 31 a	3 9
Tues.	4	m 10 37	4 1	m 3 7	1 0
		8 18 a	7 3	1 27 a	3 8

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 28th

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 8 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.35	30.36	30.33
Temperature	59	55	63
Humidity	55	72	55
Wind Direction	West	East	East
" Force	1	2	1
Weather	b	c	c
Rain	—	0.00	—

Highest open air Temperature on 27th ...60
Lowest open air Temperature on 27th ...48

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TO-NIGHT

9 P.M.—Hughes Musical Comedy Co. at the Canton Club.—
9.15 P.M.—Bijou Scenic Theatre.

TO-MORROW

Noon.—Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders at Dodwell & Co.'s Offices.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Friday, 31st Jan.:—
3 P.M.—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Properties at Auction Rooms, by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert.
9 P.M.—Hughes Musical Comedy Co. at the Victoria Theatre.—"The Grafters."

Saturday, 1st Feb.:—
9 P.M.—Hughes Musical Comedy Co., at the Victoria Theatre. — "Speedelbonnder's Dream."

Monday, 2nd Feb.:—
5.15 P.M.—Hongkong Gymkhana Club Annual General Meeting at The Hongkong Jockey Club.
9 P.M.—Hughes Musical Comedy Co., at the Victoria Theatre.—"Hans Nick."

Saturday, 8th Feb.:—
Noon—Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.

Monday, 10th Feb.:—
Noon—Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.

Tuesday, 11th Feb.:—
Noon—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.

Wednesday, 12th Feb.:—
Noon—Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting.

Friday and Saturday, 7th and 8th March:—
Hongkong Horticultural Society Flower and Vegetable Show in the Botanic Gardens.

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